

# Modern Transformations and the Challenges of Inequalities in Education in India

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**Day 1: Thursday, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

**09:00—09:30 Registration**

**Session 1, Inaugural :09:30—10:00, Chair-Upinder Singh**

Speaker	Topic
Manoj Kumar Jha	Welcome Address
Basudev Chatterji	Inaugural Address-On Education
Vikas Gupta	Introductory Remarks

**Session 2, 10:20—01:00, Chair-Amar Farooqui**

**History of Education and the Question of Inequality**

Speaker	Topic
Andreas Gestrich	Poverty and Equality in Education: Transnational Survey of Historical Trajectories and Neoliberal Challenge
Umesh Bagade	Contesting Brahmanical Hegemony of knowledge: Phule's Path for Alternative Education
Denys Leighton and Manish Jain	Discussants
Open House	
Lunch	

**Session 3, 01:50—03:20, Chair-B.P. Sahu**

**Education and Neoliberalism: Historical Roots and Contemporary Perspectives and Alternatives**

Speaker	Topic
Padma Velaskar	Neoliberal Ideology, Systemic Change and the New Illusions of Equity and Inclusion in Education
Rich Gibson	Why it is Possible and Imperative to Teach Revolution-and how
Anil Sadgopal	Discussant
Discussion	
Tea	

**Session 4, 03:40—04:30, Chair-Rama Kant Agnihotri**

**Desire to Know**

Speaker	Topic
Kumar Shahani	Desire to Know
Prasanta Chakravarty	Discussant
Discussion	

**Session 5, 04:30—06:20, Chair-Rumesh Chandra**

**Colonial Trajectories and Contemporary Perspectives on Curricular Knowledge (1): Mathematics and Natural Sciences**

Speaker	Topic
Harjinder Singh Laltu	Conflict and collaboration between eurocentrism and brahmanical hegemony: revisiting science education in the colonial and post-independence period
C K Raju	Decolonizing Mathematics and Science
S. Irfan Habib and Prabhu Mohapatra	Discussants
Discussion	

**Day 2, Friday, Nov 28, 2014**

**Session 6, 09:30—11:30, Chair–Lakshmi Subramanian**

**Colonial Trajectories and Contemporary Perspectives on Curricular Knowledge (2): Social Sciences**

Speaker	Topic
Arun Kumar	Poverty, Crime, and the School Curriculum: The Poor in Reformatory Schools (1880s-1920s)
Namrata Ganneri	Developing a 'physical education curriculum': a view from Bombay Presidency c 1800-1947
Amar Farooqui	Some Aspects of Knowledge Formation in Formal Education in 19 <sup>th</sup> Century Delhi
Aparna Balachandran	Discussant
Discussion	
Tea	

**Session 7, 11:50—01:00, Chair–Prabhat Patnaik**

**Visions of Counter Hegemony: Resources for Reconstructing Education**

Speaker	Topic
Anil Sadgopal	Educational Thoughts and Experiments in India: Countering Hegemony from Colonialism to Neo-liberalism
Basudev Chatterji and Stephen Degiulio	Discussant
Discussion	
Lunch	

**Session 8, 01:50—03:20, Chair–Subhash Chandra Vashishth**

**Perspectives on Exclusion (1) : Education and Disability**

Speaker	Topic
Tanmoy Bhattacharya	Are We All Alike? Questioning the pathologies of the Normate
Anita Ghai	Education of Students with disabilities: Have we moved ahead?
Renu Addlakha and Pankaj Sinha	Discussants
Discussion	
Tea	

**Session 9, 03:40—06:00, Chair–Andreas Gestrich**

**Perspectives on Exclusion (2) : Education and Class, Caste, Tribal and Other Socio-Religious Groups**

Speaker	Topic
Azra Razzaq	Reflections of a School Functionary
Anand Teltumbde	Neoliberal Barriers in Education: Return of the Manu Era.
Ravi Kumar	Reinforcing centrality of 'labour' in educational sites and possibilities of struggle
Subhash Gatade & Tanika Sarkar	Discussants
Discussion	

**Day 3, Saturday, Nov 29, 2014**

**Session 10, 09:30—11:00, Chair—T.K.V. Subramanian**

**Colonial Trajectories and Contemporary Perspectives on Curricular Knowledge (3): Music and Theatre**

Speaker	Topic
Lakshmi Subramanian	From the Gurukul to the University: Challenges of teaching music in a new setting
Lata Singh	Theatre and Education: Appropriation and Marginalization of Custodians of Cultural Heritage of the Nation
Partho Dutta	Discussant
Discussion	
Tea	

**Session 11, 11:20—01:00, Chair—Rama Kant Agnihotri**  
**Perspectives on Exclusion (3) : Language, Inequality and Education**

Speaker	Topic
Kathleen Heugh	Multilingualism, multilinguality and translanguaging: Southern theories and practices.
Minati Panda	State, Market and the Multilingual Education
Discussion	
Lunch	

**Session 12, 01:50—03:15, Chair—Padma Velaskar**  
**Perspectives on Exclusion (4) :Education and Women**

Speaker	Topic
Wandana Sonalkar (in Absentia by Radhika Mishra)	An Alternative Vision for Women's Education: Jotiba Phule, Rajarshi Shahu Maharaj and Dr. B.R. Ambedkar
Manjushri Singh	Who bears the burden of reforms? A study of education and gender in Delhi,1947-1975
Radhika Menon	Discussant
Discussion	
Tea	

**Session 13, 03:30—05:10, Chair—Anita Rampal**  
**Teacher and Teacher Education: The Question of Transformation**

Speaker	Topic
Janaki Rajan	The Teacher in India: 18th to 21st century
C.N Subbramaniam	Teaching about Inequality
Manabi Majumdar (in absentia by Heeral Chhabra)	From a Civic Burden to a Private Affair: Educational Success through Private Tuition in India.
Discussion	

**Session 14, 05:15—06:50, Moderator—Mukul Mangalik and Prabhu Mohapatra**  
**Inequality, Education and Democracy: Challenges and Road Ahead**

Speaker	Topic
Radhika Menon, Amber Goslee, V.S. Amravat, Stephen Degiulio, Subhash Vashishth, Maya John, and Sarwat Ali	Panelists for Initiating the Discussion
G. Haragopal	<b>Valedictory—Inequality, Education and Democracy: Challenges and Road Ahead</b>
Open House	
Vote of Thanks	
Valedictory Tea	