



***Frontier Urbanism:
Tracking Transformation in Agrarian U
Hinterlands of South Asia***
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Workshop Program
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Thursday February 23
Convention Center

08:30–09:00 Introduction and Welcome Remarks (In the lobby of the Convention Center)

09:00–17:00 Bus tour to Gurgaon

Bus will depart at 9:00am from JNU

19:00 Dinner (We will go directly for dinner after the tour)

Friday February 24
Lecture Hall I Convention Centre

09:00 – 09:30 Tea

09:30 – 10:00 Opening Remarks and Introductions:

Rajarshi Dasgupta (Jawaharlal Nehru University) and Shubhra Gururani (York University)

10:00 – 11:30 Session 1 - The Agrarian-Urban Question

Chair: Sudha Pai (Jawaharlal Nehru University)

10:00 – 10:25 Farshad Araghi (Florida Atlantic University)

"The Agrarian Question and the City: The New Hunger Regime and the Deepening Crisis of Under-Reproduction"

10:25 – 10:50 Andrew Nelson (University of North Texas)

"From 'Wild' Fields to Urban Frontier: The Uneven Urbanization of Kathmandu Valley's Periphery"

10:50 – 11:15 Discussants: Roberto Luís Monte-Mór (Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais-Cedeplar) and Swagato Sarkar (Jindal School of Government and Public Policy)

11:15 – 11:30 Questions and Answer Session

11:30– 13:00 Session 2 - Cities in a World of Villages

Chair: Marie Hélène Zérah (Center for Policy Research)

11:30 – 11:55 Shubhra Gururani (York University)

"Cities in a world of villages: From Gurgaon to Gurugram"

11:55 – 12:20 Sushmita Pati (Azim Premji University)

"From Village Land to Urban Real Estate: Tracing the Transformations of Erstwhile Villages in Delhi"

12:20 – 12:45 Discussants: Xuefei Ren (Michigan State University) and Gayatri Menon (Azim Premji University)

12:45 – 13:00 Question and Answer Session

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 - 15:30 Session 3 - The Land Question

Chair: Mukta Naik (Center for Policy Research)

14:00 - 14:25 Xuefei Ren (Michigan State University)

"Land acquisition, rural protests, and the local state in China and India"

14:25 - 14:50 Sudeshna Mitra (Indian Institute of Human Settlement, Bangalore)

"Periurban Narratives of Land Value: From Investments to Compensation"

14:50- 15:15 Discussants: Farshad Araghi (Florida Atlantic University) and Ratoola Kundu (TISS, School of Habitat Studies)

15:15 – 15:30 Question and Answer Session

15:30 – 16:00 Tea

16:00-17:30 Session 4 - Speculating Mumbai

Chair: Roberto Luís Monte-Mór (Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais-Cedeplar)

16:00-16:25 Malini Krishnankutty (Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai)

"Consuming the village: Planning induced speculative urbanism around Panvel, Mumbai"

16:25-16:50 Gayatri Menon (Azim Premji University)

"Frontier subjects: Encroachment and eviction in contemporary Mumbai"

16:50-17:15 Discussant: Marie- Hélène Zérah (Center for Policy Research)

17:15 – 17:30 Question and Answer Session

19:30 Dinner

Saturday February 25 **Lecture Hall I Convention Centre**

09:00 – 9:30 Tea

09:30 – 11:00 Session 5 - Between Town and Country

Chair: Shubhra Gururani (York University)

09:30 – 09:55 Bhuvaneswari Raman (Jindal Global University)

"The Micro-Politics of Transforming Agrarian Landscape in Chennai's Southwest Frontier"

09:55 – 10:20 Himadri Chatterjee (Jawaharlal Nehru University)

"Land and Labour at the 'Borders' of Kolkata: Refugee Lives in-between Town and Country"

10:20 – 10:45 Discussants: Ranu Basu (York University) and Carol Upadhyaya (National Institute of Advance Studies)

10:45 – 11:00 Question and Answer Session

11:00 – 12:30 Session 6 - Capital and the Periurban

Chair: Gayatri Menon (Azim Premji University)

11:00 – 11:25 Solly Benjamin (Indian Institute of Technology, Chennai)

"Capital construct a cartographic peri-urban"

11:25 – 11:50 Rajarshi Dasgupta (Jawaharlal Nehru University)

"Geneva Camp Muhammadpur and New Suburbs in Dhaka"

11:50 – 12:15 Discussants: Jaideep Chatterjee (Shiv Nader University) and Iman Mitra (Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Kolkata)

12:15 – 12:30 Question and Answer Session

12:30 – 13:30 Lunch

13:30 – 15:00 Session 7 - Urban Heterotopias

Chair: Carol Upadhy (National Institute of Advance Studies)

13:30 – 13:55 Seth Schindler (Sheffield University)

"India's Liberalization Raj: Regional planning, development corridors and urbanization"

13:55 – 14:20 Shruti Dubey (Jawaharlal Nehru University)

"Urban heterotopias at the frontiers: The case of Khora colony in India's National Capital Region"

14:20 – 14:45 Discussants: João Tonucci (Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais-Cedeplar) and Nick Phelps (University College London)

14:45 – 15:00 Question and Answer Session

15:00 – 15:30 Tea Break

15:30 – 16:30 Roundtable - Agrarian-Urban Frontiers

Moderator: Janaki Nair (Jawaharlal Nehru University)

16:30 – 17:00 Workshop Next Steps (Publication Plans) and a Word of Thanks

19:00 Dinner

URBAN MAP



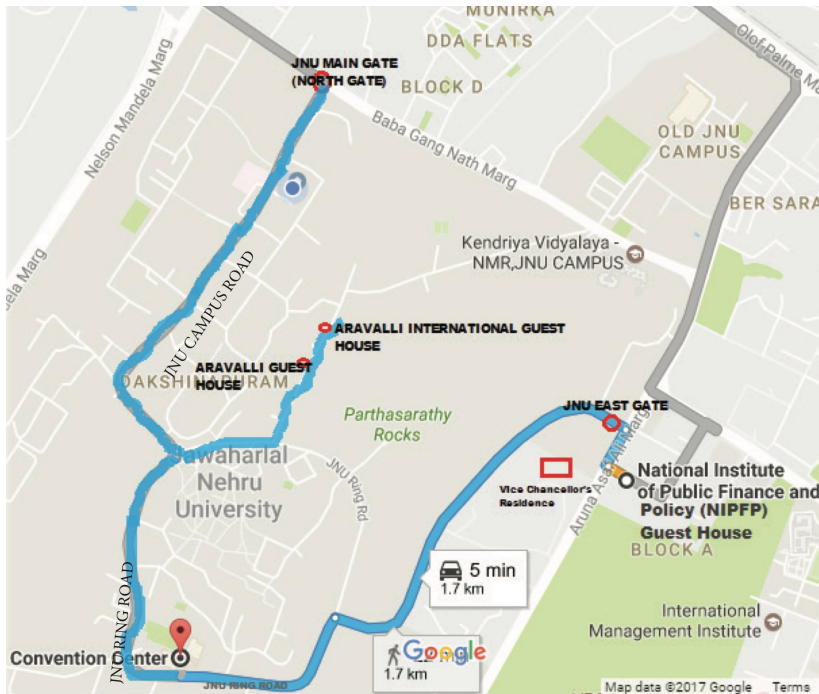
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Distance from T3, IG International Airport to India International Centre- 19 kms, ETT- 30 mins

Distance from India International Centre to Jawaharlal Nehru University Campus- 10.5 kms, ETT- 24 mins

*the ETT is here without Traffic Time

Traffic Time: 10-15 mins on avg.
(peak hours- 15 mins+)



Distance from NIPFP Guest house to Convention Centre (CC) 1.7 kms, Estimated Travel Time (ETT)- 5 mins

Distance from Aravalli and Aravalli Intl Guest House to CC- 1.1/1.3 kms, ETT- 3 mins

Distance from JNU Main Gate to CC- 1.9 kms, ETT- 5 mins

Distance from East Gate to CC- 1.6 kms, ETT- 4 mins

