Gujarat Research Network Seminar

Mobilities, transformations, and Gujarat

Organised by the Provincial Globalisation Research Programme, Amsterdam Institute for Social Science Research (AISSR), University of Amsterdam, and the Institut für Ethnology, University of Münster (WWU)

PROGRAMME
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Seminar venue: IISG (International Institute of Social History), Cruquiusweg 31, Amsterdam, phone +31 20 6685866.

9.00-09.30 Welcome with coffee at IISG (International Institute of Social History).

Opening lecture
9.30 Welcome by Julia Koch and Sanderien Verstappen

10.30-11.00 Coffee/ tea break

11.00-12.00 Session I
‘Violence, Urban Anxieties and Masculinities: The ‘foot soldiers’ of 2002 in Ahmedabad’
Rubina Jasani, University of Manchester. Discussant: Jan Breman
‘Triple Heritage: cultural change and identity among Asian Africans’
Gijsbert Oonk, Erasmus University, Rotterdam. Discussant: Alice Tilche (SOAS)

12.00-13.00 Lunch at the International Institute of Social History

13.00-14.00 Session II
‘Mediating Performance through the Senses: a case study of Morari Bapu’s Ramkatha’
Mrinal Pande, University Münster (WWU). Discussant: Edward Simpson (SOAS)
‘Muslims on the Move: Sunni Vohra women in South Africa’
Julia Koch (WWU). Discussant: Edward Simpson
14.00-15.30 **Session III**

*Vohras of Charotar: regional identity and mobility of Muslims in rural Gujarat*

Sanderien Verstappen, University of Amsterdam (UvA). Discussant: Rubina Jasani

*Reflections on Migration through Film. Screening of an anthropological documentary on Indian youth in London, Mario Rutten (UvA) and Sanderien Verstappen. Discussant: Margrit van Wessel, University Wageningen*

*Internal Differences and External Ties. A case study of the Gujarati Hindu Community in Cape Town, South Africa*

Molly Fitzpatrick (UvA). Discussant: Julia Koch

15.30 Coffee/ tea break

16.00-16.55 **Closing lecture: 'The uneven erosion of caste in the politics of Gujarat',**

Christophe Jaffrelot, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique.

16.55-17.00 Closing by Julia Koch and Sanderien Verstappen

17.15-18.30 Dinner at the International Institute of Social History.

After dinner, we will walk to the evening venue (a 10 to 15 minute walk).

19.00-20.30 **Film & discussion with the filmmaker**

Venue: de Meevaart, Balistraat 48A, Amsterdam.

*Sundarana. Marriage, migration and social change among the Patidars of central Gujarat*,

Alice Tilche and Dalxin Bajrange, (2014, 50 minutes, SOAS)

Discussion leader: Erik de Maaker, Visual Anthropologist at Leiden University.