

# INDIA CHINA CONVERSATIONS

Third Interdisciplinary Symposium for Emerging Scholars on India China Studies  
Organized by the India China Institute, The New School, New York



**M o n d a y**

**April 14, 2014**

**9:30 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

**Orozco Conference Room (A712),  
66 W 12<sup>th</sup> St., 7th Floor  
New York, New York**

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# Overview

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The Third Interdisciplinary Symposium for Emerging Scholars on India China Studies is part of the India China Institute's continuing commitment to build a community of scholars who are engaged in research that focuses on new and innovative approaches to understanding India-China relations. For nine years, the India China Institute has provided a space for the establishment and strengthening of scholarly networks for emerging scholars of India and China who wish to share their research and explore opportunities for advancing individual and collaborative scholarship. The Emerging Scholars program also draws on The New School's tradition of fostering horizontal and vertical knowledge sharing across disciplines and amongst scholars in different stages of their careers.

Following the symposiums held in China and India in November 2013, this symposium is the third part of a three-part symposium series. Seven presenters selected from the three countries for this symposium will share their work and participate in multi-disciplinary investigation and deliberation with distinguished scholars.

When discussing the work of each of the presenters, we hope to identify relevant methodological and substantive questions, and where possible answers, through a productive confrontation of diverse disciplinary perspectives. We hope that the symposium will provide a milestone in the intellectual definition and institutional development of the field, enhance the sense of community within it, and help to foster more productive directions for teaching and scholarship.

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**The India China Institute** (ICI) at The New School, a university in New York City, supports research, teaching and discussion on India, China and the United States, with special focus on making comparisons and understanding interactions between the three countries as well as their joint impact on the rest of the world. ICI is the hub of an international network of scholars, leaders, and opinion-makers. Through fellowships, courses, public events, publications, and collaboration with a wide range of institutions around the world, ICI promotes academic and public understanding of issues of contemporary relevance.

# Event Schedule

Monday, April 14, 2014 | Orozco Conference Room (A712) |  
66 W 12th St., 7th Floor, New York

**9:00-9:30**     **Registration** (*light breakfast and coffee will be provided*)

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**9:30-9:45**     **Opening Remarks**

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**Tim Marshall**, Provost and Chief Academic Officer, The New School

**Ashok Gurung**, Senior Director of India China Institute

**9:45-12:30**     **Session I: Fragmented Geographies, Diasporas, and FDI**

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**Chair: Nimmi Kurian**,

Associate Professor, Centre for Policy Research and former ICI fellow and ICI representative in India

**Paper 1**     **Uttam Lal**, Assistant Professor, Geography & Natural Resources Management, Sikkim University, India

**“Suturing Fragmented Geographies through Fragmented Land Route”**

**Paper 2**     **Su Ying**, PhD Candidate, Institute of International Studies, Yunnan University, China

**“Indians' Attitudes towards English”**

**Paper 3**     **Min Ye**, Assistant Professor, Department of International Relations, Boston University

**“Diffusion by Diasporas: Foreign Direct Investment in China and India”**

**Paper 4**     **Yu Zheng**, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Connecticut

**“Institutions, Labor Mobility, and Foreign Direct Investment in China and India”**

**Discussants**     **Liu Jian**, Senior Professor, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (*Paper 1*)

**Siddiq Wahid**, Distinguished Expert on India China Studies, and Adjunct Fellow of Institute of Chinese Studies, India (*Paper 1*)

**Paula Banerjee**, Associate Professor, Dept. of South and Southeast Asian Studies at the University of Calcutta, and visiting Fulbright Scholar with SUNY Oswego and Onondaga Community College (*Paper 2*)

**Sanjay Reddy**, Associate Professor of Economics, NSSR, The New School, and Academic Co-Director of India China Institute (*Paper 2*)

**Qin Gao**, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Fordham University Graduate School of Social Service, and Visiting Scholar of India China Institute (*Paper 3*)

**Vamsi Vakulabharnam**, Associate Professor of economics at the University of Hyderabad, and Visiting Scholar of India China Institute (*Paper 3*)

**Cui Zhiyuan**, Professor, School of Public Policy and Management, Tsinghua University, and Visiting Scholar of India China Institute (*Paper 4*)

**Vamsi Vakulabharnam**, Associate Professor of economics at the University of Hyderabad, and Visiting Scholar of India China Institute (*Paper 4*)

### Question and Answers

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**12:30-14:00 Lunch**

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**14:00-16:00 Session II: Histories & the Politics of Land Acquisition**

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**Chair: Sanjay Reddy**, Associate Professor of Economics, NSSR, The New School, and Academic Co-Director of India China Institute

**Paper 5** **Nirmola Sharma**, Doctoral Candidate, East Asian Studies, University of Delhi, India  
“*Compulsions and Contestations of Ideology: The India National Army’s Justification For Collaboration with the Japanese in Occupied China (1942-1945)*”

**Paper 6** **Huang Yinghong**, Assistant Professor, Sun Yat-sen University, China  
“*Between Justice and Development: The Mixed Stories of Land acquisition in India and China*”

**Paper 7** **Prakash Kashwan**, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Connecticut  
“*Institutional Political Economy of Land Acquisition in India (with a Glance over the Himalayas)*”

**Discussants** **Liu Jian**, Senior Professor, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (*Paper 5*)

**Tansen Sen**, Associate Professor of Baruch College, The City University of New York (*Paper 5*)

**Mark Frazier**, Professor of Politics, NSSR, and Academic Co-Director of India China Institute (*Paper 6*)

**Hari Vasudevan**, Professor, Department of History, University of Calcutta (*Paper 6*)

**Alka Acharya**, Professor in Chinese Studies, Centre for East Asian Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, and Director of Institute of Chinese Studies, India (*Paper 7*)

**Nimmi Kurian**, Associate Professor, Centre for Policy Research and former ICI fellow and ICI representative in India (*Paper 7*)

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### Question and Answers

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#### 16:00-16:15 Closing Remarks

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**Mark Frazier**, Professor of Politics, NSSR, and Academic Co-Director of India China Institute

#### 17:00-18:30 Panel Discussion: Re-envisioning India China Studies

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*At Theresa Lang Center | 55 W. 13th St., 2nd Floor*

**Moderator: Ashok Gurung**, Senior Director, India China Institute

**Tansen Sen**, Associate Professor of Baruch College, The City University of New York

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#### 18:30-19:30 Reception at Theresa Lang Center

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