PROGRAMME

SIXTH BIENNIAL INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE INDIAN ASSOCIATION FOR ASIAN PACIFIC STUDIES HOSTED BY

DEPARTMENT OF SOUTH & SOUTH-EAST ASIAN STUDIES, UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA

December 17, 2012

Registration: 9.30 A.M to 10.30 A.M

Venue: Ram Brahma Sanyal Smriti Sadan Auditorium, Opposite to Calcutta Zoological Garden main Gate

Inaugural Session 10.30 A.M – 11.30 A.M

Venue: Ram Brahma Sanyal Smriti Sadan Auditorium, Opposite to Calcutta Zoological Garden main Gate

Inauguration:

Welcome Address by Chair of the Session: Professor Suranjan Das, Vice Chancellor, University of Calcutta Welcome Address: Professor Partha. S. Ghosh, President, Indian Association for Asian & Pacific Studies (IAAPS) Inauguration and Inaugural Address by: Sri Bratya Basu, Minister of Higher Education, Government of West Bengal

Address by Chief Guest: Professor Sugata Bose, Gardiner Professor of History, Department of History, Harvard University, USA

Address by Guest of Honour: Mr. Pinak Ranjan Chakravarty, Special Secretary (Public Diplomacy), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India

Address by Special Guest: Ambassador K Kesavapany, Senior Fellow, Diplomatic Academy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore.

Introduction to the Conference & Vote of Thanks & Introduction to Seminar: Professor Lipi Ghosh,

Secretary, IAAPS and Head, Department of South and South East Asian Studies, CU



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Registration: 12.30 to 3.00 P.M

Venue : Centre for Studies in Social Science and Humanities, University of Calcutta, Alipur Campus, 10th Floor

Academic Session I (12.30 noom – 2.00 P.M)

Venue : Centre for Studies in Social Science and Humanities, University of Calcutta, Alipur Campus, 10th

Keynote Speaker and Sectional President's Speech:

Mr. Sunanda K.Datta- Ray, Writer and International Columnist, Singapore,

Asia can't be a Hamlet without the Prince of Denmark

Professor P. Sahadevan, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India.

Regional Order in South Asia

Professor Sutiphand Chirathivat, Chula Global Network, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand
Southeast Asian Recent Attempts to Broaden Regional Integration in Asia
Professor TansenSen, Weissman School of Arts & Sciences, Baruch College, New York, USA.

Is there a need for China Studies in India?

Professor A.P.S. Chauhan, Centre for Central Asian Studies, Jiwaji University, Gwalior, India Revitalizing the Civilizational Ties for a Prosperous and Stable Asia: Focus on India- Central Asian Relations

2.00 – 3.00 P.M : Lunch Break

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Academic Session II in Parallel Rooms: (3.00 P.M to 5.30 P.M)

Venue: University of Calcutta, Alipur Campus, 1 Reformatory Street, Kolkata-700027

Room No. 1 South Asia: History & Historiography

Chair : Parimal Ghosh, Professor,
Department of South & South East Asian Studies, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, India

- Foreign Trade & Eastern Indian Literature, Sankar Ranjan Majumder, Commercial Supervisor, Howrah, Eastern Railway, India.
- "Intimate Strangers": Custom, Morality and Colonial Inhibitions: a brief study, **Subhalakshmi Pandey**, Lady Brabourne College, Kolkata, India.
- The Pattern of Overseas Trade in Seventeenth Century Orissa: Towards A Commercial Interaction under the Mughals, K.N. Sethi, P.G. Deptt. of History, Sambalpur University, Jyoti Vihar, Sambalpur, Odisha, India
- History and Historiography of the Madras Presidency Army under the colonial rule, 1752-1858, Manas Dutta, Department of History, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, India.
- Max Mueller's Discourse (1874) on Oriental Studies: Some Reflections, Aniruddha Das, Department of History, Fakir Chand College, Diamond Harbour, W.B. India
- Abani Mukherjee: the ignored revolutionary, **Panchali Majumdar**, Associate Professor, Department of History, Ramakrishna Sarada Mission Vivekananda Vidyabhavan, Kolkata, India
- Technology of Formal Writing and Colonialism: Questionnaires, Letters and Petitions in British India, Santhosh Abraham, NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh, India

- Post Colonial Historiography in South Asia: A Quest for National Identity in Pakistan, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka, Maneesha Tikekar, Dept. of Politics at SIES College of Arts, Science and Commerce, University of Mumbai, Mumbai, India
- Role of the Civil Society in establishing the Dacca Museum in 1913, Mokammal H. Bhuiyan, Department of Archaeology, Jahangirnagar University Bangladesh

Room No. 2 South-East Asia : History & Historiography

Chair: Geoffrey Wade, Visiting Senior Research Fellow, Nalanda-Sriwijaya Centre, Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, Singapore

- Connectivity between India and Southeast Asia: Evidences and Analysis of some ancient Indian Texts, **Bhaswati Mukhopadhyay**, Sitananda College East Medinipur, WB, India
- `Agents' of Indian Culture in South-East Asia during the Pre-Colonial Period, Sarita Khettry, Department of Ancient Indian History, Culture and Archeology Visvabharati, Santiniketan, WB, India
- Preliminary Research of the Hindu Sculptural Collection of Champa Vijaya Period in BinhDinh Province, **Phan Anh Tú**, Saigin, Vietnam
- Buddhist Sects in LānNā between the Reigns of King Tilōk to PhayāKäo (1441-1525): Studies from Dated Bronze Buddha Images in Chiang Mai, Surasawasdi Sooksawadi, Faculty of Fine Arts, Chiang Mai University, Thailand
- Colonial Connections across the Bay of Bengal: The South-Southeast Asia Linkages, Jayati Bhattacharya, South Asian Studies Programme, National University of Singapore, Singapore
- The Case of Mr. Singh: Indian Money-Lenders Impact on Small Entrepreneurs in the Philippines, **Fiorentino A. Iniego**, University of the Philippines, Manila, The Philippines
- The Politics of Forgetting in Burma/Myanmar Aung San and the Indian Connection, Marja-Leena Heikkila-Horn, Mahidol University International College, Salaya Campus, NakhonPathom, Thailand
- The PreahVihear Temple Dispute, 1953-2011: A Case Study of Thai Cambodian Relations

Charnpich Attajak, School of International Studies, Universiti Utara Malaysia, Malaysia

• The Border Conflict between Cambodia and Thailand, Pou Sothirak, Visiting Senior Research Fellow, Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, Singapore

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Room No. 3 East Asia & Pacific : Multiple Dimensions

Chair : Hari Vasudevan, Professor Department of History, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, India

- Regenerating Trade Diaspora: Overseas trade and Arab, Persian Communities at Chinese Port Cities during the 10th-13th Century, Masaki Mukai, Osaka University, Japan
- Women in China: Challenges & Opportunities, A Historical Analysis from 1911 to Mao Era, **Shachee Agnihotri**, Centre for East Asian Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India
- Sustainable Development in the Asian Pacific Region, Radha Raghuramapatruni, GITAM School of International Business, GITAM University, Visakhapatnam, India
- Social Connotations in Selecting A life Partner: Japan and Bengal, Gita A Keeni, Department of Japanese Bhasha-Bhavana, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan, India
- Deconstructing Gulaami: The Indenture Experience of Devi Sharan, Syed Tanveer Nasreen, Department of History, The University of Burdwan, West Bengal, India
- Before the 'Asian century' in the Pacific: Reconstructing the Indian Diaspora there." Jacqueline Leckie, Anthropology and Archaeology, University of Otago/Te Tari Mātai Tikanga Tangata o Nāianei me Onamata, New Zealand

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Room No. 4

South, South East and Asia- Pacific: International Relations, Security & Strategic Studies

Chair : Sreeradha Datta, Director Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute for Asian Studies, Kolkata, India

- Burma: A destination of the Bengali Revolutionaries between 1923-1933, Susmita Mukherji, Department of History, Syamaprasad College, Kolkata, India
- Business with China from Madurai & Dindigul districts of Tamilnadu: A Study on relationship between

personal and business profile of China bound businessmen, **Arulvelan. T**, Department of Management Studies V.H.N.S.N. College, Virudhunagar, Tamilnadu, India

- Sino-US Tussle in Asia Pacific and Role of India, Subhadeep Bhattacharya, Dept. of South & South East Asian Studies, University of Calcutta, WB, India
- The US presence in Asia Pacific under Obama administration: the role of hierarchy and multilateralism in regional security, **Anushree Chakraborty**, South East Asian Division, SIS, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India
- From Cooperative to Strategic Partnership: India- South Korea Relations in 21st Century, **John Jojin**, Centre for East Asian Studies Jawaharlal Nehru University New Delhi, India
- Australia's Relations with South Asia and Latin America: Evaluating the Parallels, Ravi Kumar, Mahatma Gandhi International Hindi University, Gandhi Hills, Wardha, Maharashtra, India
- The Rise of India and India-Taiwan Relations, FANG Tien-Sze, Center for General Education, National Tsing Hua University, Taiwan
- The Bay of Bengal: Ignored or Indispensible in South Asia's Energy Security?, Anasua Basu Ray Chaudhury, Research Associate, Calcutta Research Group, Kolkata, India

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Room No. 5

West & Central Asia : Multiple Dimensions

Chair: A.P.S. Chauhan, Director Centre for Central Asian Studies, Jiwaji University, Gwalior, India

- Central Asian Contribution to Muslim Historiography-A Study of Al-Tabari's Methodology, G. N. Khaki, Centre of Central Asian Studies, University of Kashmir, India
- A New Eurasian Conception of Kazakhstan, **Kairzhan S. Abdykhalykov**, International Relations Department, Al-Farabi Kazakh National University, Almaty, Republic of Kazakhstan
- Beijing Looking towards Central Asia?, Dona Ganguly, International Relations, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, India
- India's Energy Security Strategy towards Central Asia and Caspian sea region, Bijay Das, Department of International Relations, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, India.
- The Strategic Importance of Afghanistan for India, Yow Peter Raiphea, Department of Political Science, North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong, India

- Women in Afghnistan: Yesterdays and Tomorrow, Anwesha Ghosh, MaulanaAbulKalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies (MAKAIAS) Kolkata, India
- Tajik-Afghan Border, Impact of Drug Trafficking to the Regional Security and Stability, **Zugurova Guishan**, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India
- The Representation of Gender in Post-Soviet Tajik Films: Challenges and Constraints of a Society in Transition, Nandini Bhattacharya, Department of History, Calcutta Girls College, Calcutta, India
- Iran and Middle East Regional Security, Amir Dabirimehr, Freelance Writer, Karolinska Institutet, Iran
 - China's Engagement in Central Asia: Implications for India, **Bhagaban Behera**, Department of International Relations, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, India

5.30 P.m to 6 P.m : Tea Break

6.00- 7.30 P.M --- Cultural Programme

(Venue : Ram Brahma Sanyal Smriti Sadan Auditorium, Opposite to Calcutta Zoological Garden main Gate)

Gitanjali: Recitation and Song Offering of Rabindranath Tagore by Maitrayee Sengupta and Prabuddha Raha

Nrityanjali: An Offering of Dances by Prof. Amita Dutt, Uday Shankar Professor & Head of the Department of Dance, Director, Performing Arts Therapy Centre, Rabindra Bharati University and Troupe

8.30 - 10 p.m. --- Special Welcome Dinner at "Deck Promenade" in Hotel Floatel - A Eco friendly open Air Banquet at Calcutta Jetty on River Hoogly.

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Registration: 9 A.M-11.30 AM.

Academic Session III in Parallel Rooms: (9.30 A.M to 1.00 P.M)

Room No. 1

South& East Asia: Education and Social Movement

Chair : P Sahadevan, Professor School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India.

• William Carey, the Educationist and the Initiator of Social Awareness, Saptarshi Mallick, Department of English, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, WB, India

- Bridging the gulf between the city and the village: Tagore and his ideal of education, Chhanda Chatterjee, Department of History, Viswabharati, West Bengal, India
- Mapping Human Development and Education in South Asia, Kabita Kurnari Sahu, Dept. of Economics, North Orissa University, Baripada, Odisha, India
- GNH- Redefining the Way of Life, Madhu Rajput, Department of Western History, University of Lucknow, UP, India
- A Study on Advantages and Disadvantages of Inclusive Education as felt by the Visually Impaired Students, Debasri Banerjee & Julie Dutta, Department of Education, Calcutta University, Kolkata, India
- English as Second Language- A Colonial Burden? Avijit Dasgupta, Research Scholar, Department of Education, University of Calcutta and Manidipa Mitra, Associate Professor, Kasiswari College, Kolkata, India
- Reforming Higher Education in China: Challenges and Trends, Hem Kusum, Department of Chinese Language and Culture, Visva- Bharati, Santiniketan, West Bengal, India

Room No. 2 South Asia : Gender and Society

Chair : Paula Banerjee, Associate Professor Department of South & South East Asian Studies, University of Calcutta

- Women in Epigraphy: A Case Study of the Srikakulam Region (11th- 13th century CE.), Sabarni Pramanik Nayak, Department of Ancient Indian History and Culture, University of Calcutta, WB, India
- Place of women in the Tantras, Karabi Mitra, Dept. of History, B.K. Girls College, Howrah, WB, India
- Women and the Colonial State: Reflections on Late Nineteenth Century Socio-Legal Reforms in Colonial India, Subhasri Ghosh, Swayam, Kolkata, WB, India
- The Memsahibs' Tryst with the 'Empire of Nature', **Kakoli Sinha Ray**, Dept. of History, Lady Brabourne College, Kolkata, WB, India
- British Women and their Colonial Domesticity as Reflected in the Household Manuals, Rituparna Ray Chowdhury, R.B.C. Evening College, Naihati, India.
- Feminising Politics: The Gandhian Way, Niraj Kumar Jha, Dept. of Political Science, MLB Govt College of Excellence, Gwalior Madhya Pradesh, India
- In the Name of Honour- Mukhtar Mai, the lone crusader, **Kamalika Majumder**, Women's Studies Centre, Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata, India

- Women and Human Rights, **Dinesh Kumar Singh**, Department of Political Science, Govt. KRG P.G. College, Gwalior, India
- Gender inequality in Women's property inheritance rights: A case study of Married Women in Sikkim, Sanita Rai & Salvin Paul, Sikkim University, Gangtok, Sikkim, India

Room No. 3

South Asia: Culture, Religion, Identity

Chair : Rabindra Sen ,Professor Department of International Relations, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, India

- Cultural Identity in South Asia A case-study of Bangladesh, Abanti Adhikari, Dept. of History, Narasinha Dutta college Howrah, WB, India
- Post colonial Indigenous language & cultural change in Bangladesh, **Sikder MonoareMurshed**, Dept. of Linguistics, University of Dhaka, Dhaka, Bangladesh
- Statelessness of the People of India-Bangladesh Enclaves, **Mohammad Golam Rabbani**, Department of History, Jahangirnagar University, Dhaka, Bangladesh
- Nepali Identity Awareness in the aftermath of the Assam Movement, Sneha Singh, JadavpurUniversity, Kolkata, India
- Identity and Cultural Formation of the Khasi-Jaintia of Northeast India: Role of Seventh-day Adventist Church, Rusievan Shangpliang, Department of History, North Eastern Hill University Shillong, India
- Development under Autonomous District Councils in North East India, Robert Tuolor, Dept. of Political Science, North Easter Hill University, Shillong, Meghalaya. India.
- Re-sacralisation of landscape as indigenous resistance. An example from Western Orissa, Habil. Lidia Guzy, University College Cork, Ireland.
- Is India Shining Treating Unequal Unequally? Linking Developmental Disparity, Conflict and Resistance Movements in Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh, Ravi Ranjan, Department of Political Science, Zakir Husain College, University of Delhi, Fellow, Developing Countries Research Centre (DCRC), University of Delhi, Delhi, India

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South, South-East & East Asia: Rise of India & China in the Context of Asian Century

Chair: Suthiphand Chirathivat, Director Chula Global Network, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand

- Wooing Myanmar: India and China, Munmun Majumdar & Haokam Vaiphei, Dept of Political Science, North-Eastern Hill University (NEHU), Shillong, India.
- Rethinking 'Asian values' in 21st century: Myanmar in Perspective, **Angana Guha Roy**, Institute of Foreign Policy Studies, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, India
- India and Sub Regionalism: BIMSTEC-India's Extended Neighbourhood, Sampa Kundu, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru university, New Delhi, India
- The Political Economy of China-India-Myanmar Relations: Geo-Strategic and Economic Dimensions: Changes Challenges and Prospects for the Global order in 21st Century, **Jayant S Joshi**, Jiwaji University, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh, India
- Socio-cultural and economic relations among the trans-border ethnic communities of Myanmar and Manipur, Nongthombam Jiten, Centre for Myanmar Studies, Manipur University Canchipur Imphal, India
- Changing Border Matrix: A Study of India-ASEAN FTA and North-East India, Saheli Bose, Centre for South Asian Studies CAS/CESEAS School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India
- Malaysia and India in a Changing Geo-Political Arena: An Evolution from the Cold War to the Global War on Terror, Patit Paban Mishra, Universiti Utaia Malaysia, Sintok, Kedah DA, Malaysia
- India-Malaysia Strategic Relations in the Post-Cold War Period: The China Factor, Anjana Ghosh, Department of Political Science, Mrinalini Datta Mahavidyapith, Kolkata, India
- Australia in the Prism of India's 'Look East' Policy, Mohor Chakraborty, Dept. of Political Science, South Calcutta Girls' College (under Calcutta University), Kolkata, India

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South Asia : West Bengal : History, Society, Culture & Contemporary Changes Chair: Bhaskar Chakraborti, Director Centre for Studies in Social Science and Humanities, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, India

- Evolution of Jatra (1876 1908), Sujata Banerjee, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, WB, India
- Fractured Nationhood: Swadeshi Theatre of Bengal and Building of a National 'Self' (1905-1911), Mimasha Pandit, Victoria Institution College, Kolkata, India
- Partition-Migration in Bengal: Political Schism and Regional-Cultural Divide, Golam Sarwar Khan, Department of Sociology, University of Wollongong NSW, Australia
- Linguistic consequences of the migration of refugees from East Bengal to West Bengal in the aftermath of Partition of Bengal, **Tridibsantapa Kundu**, Assistant Professor of History, Banwarilal Bhalotia College, Asansol, WB, India
- Mritsilpis of Kolkata urban craftsmen in search of identity and livelihood, **Saswati Bhattacharya**, Lady Shri Ram College for Women, University of Delhi, India
- A Fuzzy Zone A Discussion on the Littoral Societies of the Northern Bay of Bengal, **Shatarupa Bhattacharyya**, National Institute of Advanced Studies, Bangalore, India
- Japan and Bengal: Contact in Modern Times, NirbanBasu, Department of History, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, WB, India

Lunch: 1.00 P.M to 2.00 P.M

Academic Session IV in Parallel rooms: (2.00 P.M to 4.00 P.M)

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South and East Asia: Rethinking Border and Migrations/ Governance and Corruption

Chair : Partha S Ghosh, President Indian Association for Asian & Pacific Studies, Kolkata, India

- The Demand and Supply Dynamics of Good Governance: Who to Blame for Bad Governance in South Asia?, Golam Robbani, School of Business and Economics, Maastricht University, the Netherlands
- View from Across the Border: Rising India and Pakistan's Response, **Arshad M. Abbasi**, department of politics and international relations, international Islamic university, Islamabad, Pakistan

- Rethinking Sino-Indian Border, Abhishek Kumar Darbey, CEAS, JNU, New Delhi, India
- The Corruptibility of Corruption in China, Rajen Singh Laishram, Department of Political Science Manipur University, Manipur, India
- Relevance of Neorealism and two level game theory in analyzing the impact of external compulsions on small state foreign policy via security perceptions (A Case of Sri Lanka), J.T.S.Gunasena, Department of Economics, University of Kelaniya, Sri Lanka
- From Government to Governance Contextualising Environmental Governance in India, Sutirtha Bedajna, Governor's Secretariat. Government of West Bengal, Raj Bhavan, Kolkata, India
- Governance and implementation of rural development programmes in the tribal areas of North-east India, Vanthangpui Khobung, Department of Political Science, North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong, Meghalaya, India
- Ensuring Local Governance in Bodoland Territorial Council in the State of Assam: A Study, Junmani Basumatary, Dept. of Political Science, North Eastern Hills University, Shillong, Meghalaya and Anita Das, Dept. of Pol. Science, Gauhati University, Assam
- Fighting Corruption in Bihar: Agenda for Action, Maneesha Roy, SGND Khalsa College, DU

Room No. 2

South & South East Asia: Gender and Society

Chair: Maneesha Tikekar, Associate Professor & Head Dept. of Politics, SIES College of Arts, Science & Commerce, University of Mumbai, Mumbai, India

- *The Past, Present and Future of women in society,* **Suchismita Datta**, Department of Political Science, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, India
- *'SATI' retelling the tale of 19th century Bengal*, **Sarbasree Bandyopadhyay**, Department of History, Pingla Thana Mahavidyalaya, Paschim Medinipur. WB, India
- The Rhani Jhansi Regiment: A Subaltern accommodation to Indian Nationalistic pride, ArunajeetKaur, Fellow at ISEAS, Singapore
- Against Multiple Hegemonies: Radical Malay Women in Colonial Malaya, .Khairudin Aljuneid,
 Asst Prof. Dept of Malay Studies, NUS, Singapore

- Passion Crimes or Signs of Resistance: Camouflaging Resistance by Indian Women on Colonial Malaya Plantations, Arunima Datta, PhD Student at Department of Southeast Asian Studies, NUS, Singapore
- Redressing Her Story: Women Leaders in the Malayan Communist Party, Caixia Lu, Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore, Singapore
- ShirinFozdar and 'Asian Womanhood' in Post-War Singapore, AparajitaBasu, Department of History, University of California, Berkeley

Room No. 3 South Asia : Swami Vivekananda through Contemporary Eyes

Chair : Professor Bijan Sarkar, Director Swami Vivekananda Centre for Technical Manpower Development, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, India

- Vivekananda and His Concept of Universal Religion and Individual-Social Freedom, **Pratyay Dutta**, Department of International Relations, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, WB, India
- Swami Vivekananda: His Influence on Indian Freedom Movement, **Biswaroop Ghosh**, F. C. College, W. Bengal, India
- Vivekananda's Philosophy of Education, Radha Ghosh, Bijoy Krishna Girls' College Howrah, WB, India
- Socialism in the mirror of Vivekananda's life philosophy, Nivedita Saha, Dept. of Political Science. University of Kalyani, Nadia, WB, India
- Swami Vivekananda through the Prism of Contemporary Universal Order, Debarati Banerjee, SivanathSastri College, Kolkata, India
- Swami Vivekananda: Through Contemporary Eyes, Maitreyi Sengupta, Dept. of History, Shri Shikshayatan College, Kolkata, India
- India *Rebuilding India in the Vision of Swami Vivekananda*, **Debika Guha**, B.Ed. Department, Loreto College, Kolkata, India
- 'Inclusiveness' The theme of Indian philosophy propagated by Swami Vivekananda and its relevance on modern Indian education, Sonali Chakrabarti, Dept. of Education, SivanathSastri College, Kolkata, India

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South Asia: Rise of India- China in context of Asia- Pacific Century

Chair: Purusottam Bhattacharyya, Joint Vice President Indian Association for Asian & Pacific Studies, Kolkata, India

- South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC), Baniateilang Majaw, Department of Political science, North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong, India
- Is Security Community Building Possible in South Asia?, **Upendra Choudhury**, Department of Political Science, Aligarh Muslim University, UP. India
- Comparing and contrasting India and China's implication in Bangladesh, Joyeeta Bhattacharjee, Research Foundation, New Delhi, India
- The Rise of China and India: Power Realignments in Southern Asia, **Keshav Mishra**, Department of History, BHU, UP, India
- Revisiting Indo-China relations; Problems and prospects of political violence in India's north east with special reference to Manipur, **Ch. Rupachandra**, MAKAIAS, Kolkata, India
- The New Super-power Politics at the Age of Transition, Atreyee Mitra, Institute of Foreign Policy Studies, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, India
- The Asia-Pacific Century: Emerging Power Relations—India, China and USA, Sreeparna Dasgupta, Department of Political Science, Loreto College, Kolkata, WB, India

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Room No. 5

South & South East Asia: Science, Technology & Medicine

Chair : Chittabrata Palit. Joint Vice President Indian Association for Asian & Pacific Studies, Kolkata, India

- A duel between western and indigenous medical system during colonial rule in Bengal: Another struggle for Swaraj, Sanjay Mukherjee, Saldiha College, Bankura, West Bengal, India
- Child Health and Patterns of Educational Policy: Bengal, from 1910 to the Present, Binata Sarkar, Department of History, The University of Burdwan, WB, India
- A Brief History of Nursing in Colonial India, Aparajita Dhar, Dept. of History, The University of Burdwan, WB, India

- Hospitals in Colonial Calcutta during the Second of 19th Century: A Case study of Presidency General Hospital, SohiniDey, M. Phil, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, India
- Health Vulnerability of Climate Change in South Asia, Sudhakar Patra, Ravenshaw University, Cuttack, Orissa, India
- Establishing a link between science and nature: The Rise of Hydro and Solar Power in China, Prachi
 Aggarwal, Centre for East Asian Studies at School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru
 University, New Delhi, India
- Volunteering for Information and Communication Technologies for Development (ICT4D) in South India, Rakhee Chatbar, Department of Geography, University of Otago, New Zealand
- Pesticide causes abnormalities in the avian embryos, **Subrata Datta**, Department of Zoology, East Calcutta Girls' College, Research Supervisor, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, India

4 P.M --- 4.30 P.M : Tea Break

Plenary Session: 4.30 P.M - 6.00 P.M

Venue: Auditorium of Centre for Studies in Social Sciences and Humanites, 10th Floor, University of Calcutta, Alipur Campus, 1, Reformatory Street, Kolkata-700027

An Evening with Zheng He"

Geoff Wade, Nalanda-Sriwijaya Centre, Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, Singapore and Tansen Sen, Baruch College, The City University New York, USA

Chair: Philippe Peycam, Director, International Institute of Asian Studies, Leiden, The Netherlands.

7 P.M to 8 P.M --- Light and Sound Show in Victoria Memorial Hall (Bus leaves from University of Calcutta Alipur Campus at 6.15 p.m. for Victoria Memorialand again Bus leaves from Victoria Memorial for Venue of Dinner at 8.10 Pm)

8.30- 9.00.P.M --- Dinner

Venue: Faculty Lounge, 10th Floor, University of Calcutta, Alipur Campus

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Academic Session V in Parallel Rooms: (9.30 A.M - 12.00 P.M)

Room No. 1

South& South East Asia : Natural Resources, Environment, Climate Change

Chair: Rajagopal Dhar Chakraborti, Professor Department of South & SouthEast Asian Studies, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, India

- Energy Policy and Energy Security: India towards Securing Future Energy Demands, Ankhi Sanyal, Basanti Devi College, Kolkata, India
- Bio political Interventions: The Political Documentaries of Anand Patwardhan, Vijay Devadas, Media, Film & Communication, University of Otago, New Zealand
- Green Tourism and Green Village: Prospects of Eco-Tourism in Western Himalayas, Sugata Sengupta, Department of Political Science, East Calcutta Girls' College, Kolkata, India
- Shortage of Domestic Water in Jorhat Town of Assam, Mayurakshi Bhuyan and Zahid Husain, Department of Geography, North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong, India
- Environmental Security in Malaysia: A Case Study, **Somdatta Banerjee**, Dept of International Relations, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, India
- Indonesia on the Brink of Climate Crisis: Looking Ahead, **Tanusree Das (Chatterjee)**, Department of Political Science, Bijoy Krishna Girls' College, Howrah, W.B India
- Rhetoric and reality behind China's quest for energy and environmental security, With special reference to Chinese media's take, **Tilak Jha**, CEAS, SIS, Jawharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India
- Biodiplomacy in ICNP-2 Negotiations of Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit-Sharing, Hasrat
 Arjjumend, Grassroots Institute, Banjar, Kullu, Himachal Pradesh, India and Sabiha
 Alam, Academy of International Studies, Jamia Millia Islamia (Central University), New Delhi,
 India
- A One Ocean or Two? Pacific Histories above and below the Equator, Ryan Tucker Jones, Assistant Professor, Department of History, Idaho State University, USA

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Room No. 2:

South Asia: Social Exclusion & Human Rights

Chair: Buddhadeb Chaudhuri, Chairperson, Commission on Human Rights, International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences.

- Social Exclusion and Human Rights: Highlighting the plight of Sewage Cleaners in contemporary India, Sourish Ghosh, Department of International Relations, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, India
- Affirmative Action of Non Government Organization: A Study on the Dimensions of Social Exclusion, Ms. Debolina Sarkar, Department of Anthropology, University of Calcutta and. Madhumala Sengupta, Department of Education, University of Calcutta, India
- Alienation and Restoration of Tribal Forest Rights: An Overview, AnindyaBasu, Department of Geography, Women's Christian College, Kolkata, India
- Problems of Autonomy Movements in North-East India, Seikhogin Haokip, Department of Political Science, NEHU, Shillong and Ch. Sekholal Kom, Department of Political Science, NEHU, Shillong
- Social Exclusion and Human Rights: A Study of the Muslims of India, **Kushal Pal and Anita Agarwal**, Dayal Singh College Karnal, Haryana, India
- India as a Liberal Power: Human Rights in Indian Foreign Policy and Its Implications for ASEAN, Robin Ramcharan, Professor of International Relations, Alliance University, Bangalore, India

South Asia: Culture, Religion & Identity

Chair: Jacqueline Leckie, Associate Professor Department of Anthropology and Archaeology, University of Otago, New Zealand

- Buddhism a religion in search of human identity, **Chaitali Choudhury**, B.K.Girls' College, Howrah, West Bengal, India
- Identifying the Christian Identity in India, Priscilla N. Rozario, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, India
- Colonial Architecture in Bengal: A tool of Cultural Heritage, **Kanchana Mukhopadhyay**, Department of History, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, India
- Sacred Groves of India: Exploring the Cultural Dimensions of a Traditional Ethno-ecological Institution, **Shreyashi Chaudhuri**, Department of History, Calcutta Girls' College, Kolkata, India
- Religion and Inherent Dichotomy of India as an Asian Superpower: A Critical Study

into the Space between Culture, Ethnicity, Religion and Identity in Special Reference to Bankimchandra's Anandamath, Kousik Adhikari, North Orissa University, Baripada, Sri Ramchandra Vihar, Orissa, India

- Cultural Heritage of Western Odisha: A Study of Fairs and Festivals associated with Socio-religious life of the people, **Jayanti Dora**, P.G. Department of History, Utkal University, Orissa, India
- Plight of Bhutanese Refugees in Nepal: Problem and Prospects, Eyasin Khan, Department of Political Science, Vidyasagar University. Midnapore, West Bengal, India

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South, South East &East Asia &Pacific : Rise of India & China in the Context of Asian Century

Chair: Tansen Sen, Associate Professor Weissman School of Arts & Sciences, Baruch College, New York, USA.

- Assessing Dragon-Elephant Relationship amidst the South China Sea Imbroglio, Nalanda Roy, doctoral candidate (ABD) Division of Global Affairs, Rutgers University, New Jersey, USA
- Asian Powers Compete for Influence :India-China Relations in the Post-Cold War Years, Raj Kumar Kothari, Department of Political Science, Vidyasagar University, West Bengal, India
- Meeting of China and India at the South-East Asian Crossroads, Jacques Ténier, Rennes University, France
- Sino—Indian Engagement: the South East Asian Theater, Mousumi Dasgupta, School of International Relations & Strategic Studies Jadavpur University, Kolkata, India
- *India China Relations and the Regional Economic Integration in Asia and the Pacific, Biswajit Mohapatra,* Dept of Political Science, North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong, India
- Normalisation of Relationship: India's Trade with China During 1977 1981, School of Language, Centre for Advance Studies in Indian and Foreign Languages, Mahatma Gandhi Antarrashtriya Hindi Vishwavidyalaya, Wardha, Maharashtra, India
- Indian and Chinese investment in the hydropower sector in South Asia, **Doug Hill**, University of Otago, New Zealand
- Chinese Investment in India since 1980: an enquiry into its nature and problems, Sraboni Pramanik, The Asiatic Society, Kolkata and Research Scholar, Department of Chinese Language & Culture, Visva Bharati University, WB, India

South Asia : West Bengal : History, Society, Culture & Contemporary Changes

Chair: Omprakash Mishra, Professor of International Relations, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, India and Member Secretary, Global India Foundation, India

- Community Service and Patriotism: Barisal and the sources of inspiration of revolutionaries of Bengal, Sarvani Gooptu, Calcutta Girls' College, Kolkata, India
- India's Bilateral Relations & 'New' West Bengal: Balancing Challenges & Opportunities, Pratip Chattopadhyay, Department of Political Science University of Kalyani, Nadia, West Bengal, India
- Paradox of Urban Development A Case Study of Barasat Municipality, West Bengal, Debdip Bhattacharjee and Sukla Hazra, Dept. of Geography, East Calcutta Girls' College, Lake Town, Kolkata, India
- Trafficking of Women in West Bengal: The Issues and the Way Out, Madhumita Kundu, Women's Studies, Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata, Protection Officer, Hooghly, West Bengal, India
- Asserting Sporting Values: Games and Sports in the Suburbs around Kolkata in the Post-Colonial Era –
 A Case Study of Ward-14 of Panihati Municipality, Suparna Ghosh, Dept. of History, Loreto College
 , Kolkata, India
- Democratization in West Bengal: A Distant Dream?, Anambar Aditya Chaudhury, Charuchandra College, Kolkata, India

12.30 P.M --- Bus leaves from Alipur Campus with packet lunch for half day city tour. Goes to Netaji Bhavan, Indian Museum and Jorasanko Thakur Bari.

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Post Conference Paid Up Tour: One night two days trip to Sunderban. Reporting on 20th December, 2012 at 8 A.M at Alipur Campus of University of Calcutta. Bus returns to Kolkata on 21st December, 2012 evening.