

# Chandigarh Social Science Congress (CHASSCONG) 15-16 March, 2018

## Programme

15 March, 2018

### Inaugural

Venue: Mulk Raj Anand Auditorium  
English & Cultural Studies, Arts Block I

9.30 am to 11.00 am

Welcome to the Congress	Prof. Ramanjit Johal (Director, Research)
Introduction of the Theme	Prof. Akshaya Kumar (Coordinator)
Introduction of the Keynote Speaker	Prof. Pampa Mukherjee (Co-coordinator)
Keynote	Prof. Neera Chandhoke (Delhi Univ.)
Presidential Remarks	Prof. Arun K. Grover (Vice Chancellor)
Vote of Thanks	Prof. Sanjay Kaushik (Director, ICSSR-NWC)

Tea Break (11.00 am – 11.30 am)

### Session 1

Venue: Mulk Raj Anand Auditorium  
English & Cultural Studies, Arts Block I

11.30 am – 1.30 pm

CHAIR: Sucha Singh Gill

#### Plenary Speakers

1. Paramjit S. Judge (Sociology, GNDU Amritsar) – *Demonetization and Its Political Humour*
2. Ankur Sarin (Public Systems Group, IIM Ahmedabad) – *Talking about Responsibility, Irresponsibly*
3. Leon A. Morenas (School of Planning & Architecture, Delhi, Fellow IAS, Shimla) – *Citizenship in the Age of Big Data*

LUNCH BREAK (1.30 pm – 2.30 pm)

### Session 2

Venue: Mulk Raj Anand Auditorium  
English & Cultural Studies, Arts Block I

2.30 pm to 3.30 pm

Chair: Prof. Ronki Ram

#### Plenary Speakers

1. K.M. Bahrul Islam (Public Policy, IIM Kashipur, Fellow IAS Simla) – *Citizens from the Periphery: Contemporary Discourses on Imagined Communities of Indians from Remote States*
2. Simona Sawhney (English, IIT, Delhi) – *Bhagat Singh: Nationalism and Revolution*

**Tea Break 3.30 pm – 3.45 pm**

**Session 3**

**3.45 pm – 5.45 pm**

**Session 3 (A)**

**Mulk Raj Anand Auditorium,  
English & Cultural Studies, Arts Block I**

**3.45 pm – 5.45 pm**

**Chair: Prof. Rajivochan**

**Discussant: Prof. Latika**

**Paper-Presenters**

1. Surbhi Goel (English & Cultural Studies, PU, Chd.) – *Fluid Molecules in Networked Societies: Cultural Diasporas Staging Thick Citizenship*
2. Janaki Srinivasan (Pol.Sc., PU, Chd.) – *Re-defining Development, Reworking Citizenship: Assessing the Debate on Development Paradigms in Contemporary India*
3. Harpreet Vohra (Regional Centre, Ludhiana, English, PU, Chd.) – *Cultural Bereavement and the Internal Migrant: Sophie Das in Anjum Hasan's Neti Neti*
4. Kaptan Singh (English, Indian Military Academy, Dehradun) – *Contemporary Punjabi Pop Music and the Narratives of Urban Pendu: Propaganda of Myth of Consumerism*
5. Sucharita Sengupta (Pol.Sc., Jamia Milia Islamia) – *Perspectives on Citizenship through An Understanding of the Special Marriage Act*

**Session 3 (B)**

**Venue: Sociology Seminar Room,  
Ground Floor, Arts Block IV**

**3.45 pm – 5.45 pm**

**Chair: Prof. Kumool Abbi**

**Discussant: Dr. Pankaj Srivastav**

**Paper-Presenters**

1. Bhavyata Kapoor, (UILS, PU) – *Denizenship: A Catastrophic Situation*
2. Amanjeet Brar (Akal Univ, Bathinda) – *The Rhetoric and Reality of the Queer Citizen: Reading Mohanaswamy*
3. Gursaya Grewal & Prakriti Rana (PU ISSER) – *Exploring the Tibetan 'Dreamland' through the Literature of Their Diaspora in India*
4. Jaskamal Singh (Govt. Brijendra College, Faridkot) – *Coloured Nationalism*
5. Sohini Saini, Kavya Sharma & Rana Amanat Singh (Economics, PU Chd.) – *The (Un)reality of Global Citizenship/ Cosmopolitanism*
6. Shelley Aggarwal & Dazy Zarabi (CEDS, PU, Chd.) – *Transgender Citizenship Gaps*
7. Simran Kaur (UILS, PU, Chd.) – *Deciphering Marital Rape*

**Session 3 (C)**

**USOL, Seminar Room**

**3.45 pm – 5.45 pm**

**Chair: Prof. Yojana Rawat**  
**Discussant: Prof. Praveen Sharda**

**Paper-Presenters**

1. Amandeep Kaur (English, PU, Chd.) – *The Otherside of the City: Exploring Arun Kolatkar's Kala Ghoda Poems*
2. Varun Goel (Pol. Sc., LRDAV College, Jagraon) – *Understanding Agrarian Crisis in Punjab – Alternative Perspective from 21<sup>st</sup> Century Punjabi Novels*
3. Yashveer (English, Govt. College, Kalka) – *Between Citizenship and Nationalism: Representation of Naxalites in Official Reports*
4. Zeenat Khan (English, MCM DAV Chd.) – *From "Nowhere" to "Everywhere": Mindset of Indian Diaspora Writers*
5. Sumeet Gill (English, PU Chd.) – *Hanging by a Thread: Questioning Articulation of Religious Identity in a Caste Society*
6. Nakul (CRS College, Sonapat) – *"It is hard to be a citizen": Problematic Identities in August Wilson's Drama*

**Session 3 (D)**  
**Seminar Room, Emerging Areas, Top Floor**  
**3.45 pm – 5.45 pm**

**Chair: Prof. Swarnjit Kaur**  
**Discussant: Dr. Ameer Sultana**

**Paper-Presenters**

1. Rajesh Kumar Chander (CWSD, PU, Chd.) – *Marginalized Citizens: Caste, Class and Gender Exclusions*
2. Dazy Zarabi & Puneet Sandhu (DCEDS, PU, Chd.) – *Citizenship and Children with Special Education Needs: Stretching the limits of Inclusive Education*
3. Gurmeet Kaur (CWSD, PU, Chd.) – *Gender Critique of Citizenship*
4. Kanika Sharma (Human Rights, PU, Chd.) – *Gender and Citizenship Debate: Tracing the Incidence of Run-Away Marriages in Punjab*
5. Nikita Chakma (Social Work, DU, Chd.) – *Still not Citizen: A Study on the Stateless Chakmas and Hajongs of Arunachal Pradesh*
6. Simran Kaur Dhatt (Education, PU, Chd.) – *Forgotten Citizens of a Lesser Punjab*

**Session 3 (E)**  
**Seminar Room Gandhian Studies, First Floor**  
**Near Fine Arts Museum**  
**3.45 pm – 5.45 pm**

**Chair Prof. Sudhir Kumar**  
**Discussant: Dr. Gurmeet Singh (Hindi)**

**Paper-Presenters**

1. Manish Sharma (Gandhian Studies, PU, Chd.) – *Indian Citizenship and the Resilience of Democracy in the Era of Technology*
2. Anshul Sharma (Gandhian Studies, PU, Chd.) – *Uniform Civil Code and Gender Justice*
3. Navin Kumar Niraj (Hindi, PU, Chd.) – *Bhartiya Loktantra ki Chunotiyon aur Matdata ke Roop mein Nagrik ki Jimmedari*
4. Ramanjit Kaur (Gandhian Studies, Pu .Chd.) – *Corporate Citizenship and Corporate Social Responsibility*
5. Dinesh Kumar ( English, PU, Chd.) – *Lesser Citizens of Pakistan: Reading the Unwritten Code of Citizenship in Selected Pakistani Fiction in English*
6. Kamla (USOL, PU, Chd.) – *Role of Indian Judiciary in Protecting the Right to Privacy*

**Session 3 (F)**  
**Seminar Room, Dept of Geography, PU Chd.**  
**3.45 pm – 5.45 pm**

**Chair: Prof. Krishna Mohan**  
**Discussant: Prof. Abhik Ghosh**

**Paper-Presenters**

1. Jaidev Bishnoi (English, PU, Chd.) – *Subject/ Object: Citizen in a Post-Disaster Society in Indira Sinha's Animal's People*
2. Amandeep Kaur (Economics, PU, Chd.) – *Questions of Citizenship of Displaced Workers of Peripheral Regions in Neo-Liberal Era*
3. Anupama Shashni (Economics, PU, Chd.) – *Citizenship Rights: Issues of Lahual and Spiti.*
4. Harmanjot Antal (Geography, PU, Chd.) – *Making of a Responsible Citizen: Intersection of Geography with Citizenship for Sustainable Living.*
5. Savita (School of International Studies, JNU, Delhi) – *Internally Displaced Persons of India: A New Meaning of Citizenship*
6. Mandeep Kaur (Research Scholar, PU) – *Rootlessness vs Dual Citizenship*

**16 March, 2018**

**Session 4**

**Session 4 (A)**  
**Mulk Raj Anand Auditorium, English & Cultural Studies, PU**  
**Arts Block I**  
**9.30am– 11.30 am**

**Chair: Prof. Vijay Nagpal**  
**Discussant: Dr. Anil K. Thakur**

**Paper-Presenters**

1. Meenu Gupta (English & Cultural Studies, PU, Chd.) – *Shifting Paradigms of Citizenship: From "Disciplinary Societies" to "Societies of Control"*
2. Shruti Bedi (UILS, PU, Chd.): *Unmooring of Citizenship : A Counter Terrorism Tool to Secure a Nation*
3. Vijaya Singh (Regional Institute of English, Chd.) – *Laughter as An Algorithm of Dissent: Harum, Scarum Saar and Other Stories*
4. Shivani Chopra (Hindi, DAV, Chd.) *Mazdooron ke Haq mein Ladai Byan Karti Ek Activist ki Atmkatha: Hadse*
5. Bhawna Gupta & Twinkle Attrey (Pub. Admn., PU, Chd.) – *Rights of Citizens with Mental Illness: An Analysis of Legislative Reforms in India*
6. Shikha Dhiman & Rohtash (UILS, PU, Chd.) – *Citizenship Laws and Immigration Laws in India: An Analysis*

**Session 4 (B)**  
**Sociology Seminar Room, Ground Floor, Arts Block IV**  
**9.30am– 11.30 am**

**Chair: Prof. Archana K. Singh**  
**Discussant : Lallan Baghel**

### **Paper-Presenters**

1. Neha Soi (MCM DAV, Chd.) – *Can the Subaltern Speak Online? Social Media and the Myth of Equal*
2. Paramjeet Singh (Laws, DIRD, Delhi) – *Digital Citizenship: Issues and Challenges of Privacy in India*
3. Ravinder Dhaliwal (USOL, PU, Chd.) – *Dalit Blogs: A Site of Self-Representation*
4. Harleen Kaur (English, PU Chd.) – *Tracing Subalternship in Graphic Narratives and Study of Bhimayana*
5. Amandeep Kaur (English PU Chd.) – *Voicing 'Silence; through Visuals: Representation of Waiting Wife in Mani Kaul's Uski Roti.*
6. Hemdeep Kaur (Chandigarh Univ.) – *A Study of Print Media in Promotion of Volunteerism*

### **Session 4 (C)**

**Seminar Room Public Admn., Arts Block III**

**9.30 am- 11.30 am**

**Chair: Prof. Sherry Sabarwal**

**Discussant: Dr. Nitin Arora**

### **Paper-Presenters**

1. Nitin Raj (Economics, PU Chd.) – *Resource Teachers' Attitude Towards the Rights of Person with Disabilities Act, 2016*
2. Rohit Sharma (Pol. Sc., Arya College, Ludhiana) – *Understanding Citizenship, Rights and Welfare in India*
3. Kanwalpreet (Pol. Sc., DAV, Chd.) – *Citizen as Activist*
4. Sital Sharma (UILS, PU Chd.) – *Smart City, Smart Citizens*
5. Randhir Singh (Pub. Admn., Punjabi Univ., Patiala) – *Citizenship and the Right to Life in Context to Farmers' Suicide*

### **Session 4 (D)**

**Seminar Room, Dept. of History, Arts Block II**

**9.30 am- 11.30 am**

**Chair: Prof. Anju Suri**

**Discussant: Dr. Paru Bal**

### **Paper-Presenters**

1. Shipra (English, PU, Chd.) – *Intervention of Civil Society on the Partition: Analysing Letters to the Editor (1946-1948)*
2. Jappen Oberoi (Ancient History, PU, Chd.) – *The Dichotomous Integration of the Migrants in the Socio-Political System in Ancient India*
3. Divya Oberoi: (Ancient History, PU, Chd.) – *Archaic Synonyms of the Word 'Citizen': Terms Drawn from the Epigraphs and Literature of Ancient India*
4. Mohd. Osama (Pol. Sc., Jamia Milia Islamia, Delhi) – *State of Muslims in India: Legislative Participation and Citizenship Claims*
5. Kmakshi Rathaur (PU, Chd.) – *Dilemmatic Anglo-Indians on 1947: To Stay Back or To Progress Towards a Foreign Future*

**Tea Break 11.30 am - 11.45 am**

### **Session 5**

**Venue: Mulk Raj Anand Auditorium, English & Cultural Studies,**

**Arts Block I**  
**11.45 am – 1.30 pm**

**Chair: Prof. B.S.Ghuman**

**Plenary Speakers**

1. Kishalay Bhattacharjee (Ex-NDTV, Global OP Jindal) – *The Inscrutable Border: Migration, Refugees and Citizenship*
2. Vibha Arora (Social Anthropology, IIT Delhi) – *Citizenship, Democratic Exception and Armed Forces Special Powers Act*
3. Ritajyoti Bandyopadhyay (History, IISER, Mohali) – *Obstruction: Counter-pedestrianism and Trajectories of an Infrastructure Public*

**Session 6 (A –D)**  
**Parallel Sessions**  
**2.30 pm – 3.30 pm**

**Session 6 (A)**  
**Seminar Room, Dept. of Economics, Arts Block III**  
**2.30 pm – 3.30 pm**

**Chair: Prof. Upinder Sawhney**  
**Discussant: Prof. Gunmala Suri**

**Paper-Presenters**

1. Nikita Gupta (Economics, PU, Chd.) – *Bad Citizenship and the Dark Side of Social Capital*
2. Chhavi Jatana (UBS, PU, Chd.) – *Impact of Mandated Corporate Social Responsibility on Share Holders' Wealth: A Study of Indian Pharmaceutical Sector*
3. Priya Gupta (Laws, PU, Chd.) – *OPC: Cheering Citizen Entrepreneur*
4. Jasmeet Singh (Pol. Sc., PU Chd.) – *Reconceptualising the Idea of Citizenship in the Era of Fourth Industrial Revolution*

**Session 6 (B)**  
**Seminar Room, Dept. of Pol. Sc., Arts Block IV**  
**2.30 pm – 3.30 pm**

**Chair: Deepak K. Singh**  
**Discussant: Dr. Jagtej Kaur Grewal**

**Paper-Presenters**

1. Vijeta Bddhiraja (English, PU, Chd.) – *Punjab's Hidden Citizens: Indie Cinema's Counter-Visuality*
2. Ishan Sharma (English, PU, Chd.) – *Understanding Citizenship, Marginalization and Its Representation in Sanjay Kaka's Jashn-e-Azadi*
3. Priyanka (English, PU, Chd.) – *Real/Reel world "citizens": A Study of Selected Documentaries on Niyamgiri*

**Session 6 (C)**  
**Mulk Raj Anand Auditorium, English & Cultural Studies,**  
**Arts Block I**  
**2.30 pm – 3.30 pm**

**Chair: Prof. Kuldeep Puri**

**Discussant: Dr. Satvinder P Kaur**

**Paper-Presenters**

1. V.Rajesh & Om Prakash (Humanities & Social Sc., IISER, Mohali) – *Contending Histories and Educating Citizens: NCERT History Textbook Controversy*
2. Shreesha Udupa (English, Akal Univ., Bathinda) – *Homo (dis)Carded Body-bits, Biometrics and the Discourse of Citizenship*
3. Kuldeep Singh (Laws, PU, Chd.) – *Judicial Response with Changing Dimension of Right to Privacy as a Fundamental Right*

**Tea Break 3.30 pm – 4.00 pm**

**Valedictory**

**Venue: Mulk Raj Anand Auditorium, English & Cultural Studies,  
Arts Block I**

**4.00 pm – 5.00 pm**

**CHAIR: Prof.B.S.Brar**

Valedictory Address  
Guest of Honour  
Vote of Thanks

Prof. Peter Ronald DeSouza  
Prof. Meenakshi Malhotra (DUI)  
Prof. Akshaya Kumar (Coordinator)