

# LIVING IN THE AFTERMATH

Catastrophes in South Asia  
and the Himalayas

## Programme International Conference

19 - 21 June 2024

• Campus Condorcet - Aubervilliers (France)  
Centre de Colloques (Auditorium 150) •

### Tuesday, 18th June

18:00 - Welcome cocktail for participants.

### Wednesday, 19th June • Day 1

#### 9:15 - Introduction

#### 10:00 - 12:45 - The Everyday of Aftermath

- Chair: Virginie DUTOYA (CESAH, CNRS-EHESS)
- Discussant: Clémence JULLIEN (CESAH, CNRS-EHESS)

10:00 - 10:30 - Abdul CHANNA (University of Sindh, Jamshoro): *Life Experiences of Muslim Women during 2005 Pakistan Earthquake: An Ethnographic Study of Village Damgalla, Balakot, Pakistan.*

10:30 - 11:00 - Rajya Laxmi GURUNG (Tribhuvan University), Stefanie LOTTER (School of Oriental and African Studies): *Reasoning with Catastrophes.*

11:00 - 11:30 - Coffee Break

11:30 - 12:00 - Sara SHNEIDERMAN (University of British Columbia): *Restructuring Life: Towards a Theory of Relational Transformation in Nepal.*

12:00 - 12:45 - Discussion

12:45 - 14:00 - Lunch Break

#### 14:00 - 16:45 - Affects

- Chair: Tristan BRUSLÉ (CESAH, CNRS-EHESS)
- Discussant: Amélie BLOM (Triangle, Sciences-Po Lyon and CESAH, CNRS-EHESS)

14:00 - 14:30 - Serena BINDI, Marie MANGANELLI (CANTHEL/Université Paris Cité): *Experiencing Loss in the Aftermath of Disasters in Uttarakhand.*

14:30 - 15:00 - Nolwen VOULLER (Université de Liège): *When Animals Kill People: A Diversity of Viewpoints and Experiences Around What Might be Called a Catastrophe in Bardiya (Southwest Nepal).*

15:00 - 15:30 - Coffee Break

15:30 - 16:00 - Sourabh WADE (Jawaharlal Nehru University): *Everyday Negotiations in the 'Fields' of Despair: How Women are Responding to the Farmer Suicides in India.*

16:00 - 16:45 - Discussion

**Evening: Dinner for participants**

### Thursday, 20th June • Day 2

#### 9:30 - 13:00 - Politics of Memory

- Chair: Eve TIGNOL (CESAH, CNRS-EHESS)
- Discussant: Lola GUYOT (CESAH, CNRS-EHESS)

9:30 - 10:00 - Michael HUTT (School of Oriental and African Studies), Stefanie Lotter (School of Oriental and African Studies): *Directed Memory: Earthquake Memorials in Nepal.*

10:00 - 10:30 - Laurent GLATTLI (Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin): *Forgetting Partition: Delhi Monuments and the Erasure of Refugee Camps.*

10:30 - 11:00 - Anne CASTAING (CESAH, CNRS-EHESS): *Kingsway Camp: An Anatomy of Absence.*

11:00 - 11:30 - Coffee Break

11:30 - 12:00 - Radhika HETTIARACHCHI (The Community Memorialisation Project Sri Lanka): *The Aranthalawe Massacre: Catastrophic Moments and Contested Narrativization of Memory in Sri Lanka.*

12:00 - 13:00 - Discussion

13:00 - 14:30 - Lunch Break

#### 14:30 - 17:15 - Competing Narratives

- Chair: Francie CREBS (CESAH, CNRS-EHESS)
- Discussant: Arnaud KABA (Université Paris 8)

14:30 - 15:00 - Alfonso PINTO (Université de Poitiers) and Fabien PROVOST (CNRS/CESAH): *Disaster: 'Unending Disaster' and 'Second Disaster': The Conceptual Politics of Catastrophe in Bhopal.*

15:00 - 15:30 - Vishnupal PANWAR (Dr. B. R. Ambedkar University, Delhi): *An Earthquake Remembered: Women's Memory of the 1991 Uttarkashi Earthquake.*

15:30 - 16:00 - Coffee Break

16:00 - 16:30 - Vasundhara JHOBTIA (The English and Foreign Languages University): *Construction of Marginal Communities through Narrativization of Epidemics: An Analysis of the 2002 Plague Outbreak in Shimla, Himachal Pradesh, India.*

16:30 - 17:15 - Discussion

### Friday, 21st June • Day 3

#### 9:30 - 12:15 - The economics of the catastrophe

- Chair: Fabien PROVOST (CESAH, CNRS-EHESS)
- Discussant: Olivia AUBRIOT (CESAH, CNRS-EHESS)

9:45 - 10:15 - Erica MUKHERJEE (New York University, Shanghai): *The Tenacity and Fragility of the Permanent Settlement in the Aftermath of a Cyclone.*

10:15 - 10:45 - David SINGH (University of Copenhagen), Vasudha CHHOTRAY (University of East Anglia): *Two Regimes of Waste and Value: "Post-Disaster" Landscapes in the New India.*

10:45 - 11:15 - Coffee Break

11:15 - 11:45 - Ian BELLOW (Cornell University): *Tourism Afterlives and Futures on Nepal's Tamang Heritage Trail.*

11:45 - 12:30 - Discussion

12:30 - 14:00 - Lunch Break

#### 14:00 - 15:30 - Figurations

- Chair: Anne CASTAING (CESAH, CNRS-EHESS)
- Discussant: Mathieu BOISVERT (Université du Québec à Montréal)

14:00 - 14:30 - Nicola POZZA (Université de Lausanne): *Literary Representations of Environmental Catastrophes in the Western Himalayas.*

14:30 - 15:00 - Anne MURPHY (University of British Columbia), K. V. Raghavendra RAO (visual artist): *Representing Trauma: Images and Histories from South Asia, and South Asian Canada.*

15:00 - 15:30 - Discussion

15:30 - 16:00 - Coffee Break

#### 16:00 - 17:30 - Ideological Aftermath

- Chair: Anne CASTAING (CESAH, CNRS-EHESS)
- Discussant: Aminah MOHAMMAD-ARIF (CESAH, CNRS-EHESS)

16:00 - 16:30 - Debayudh CHATTERJEE (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign): *Inscribing the Global within the Local: The Catastrophe of Socialism and South Asian Cinema.*

16:30 - 17:00 - Sondra L. HAUSNER (Oxford University): *The End of Secular India: A Catastrophe for the Politics of Pluralism.*

17:00 - 17:30 - Discussion

**18:00 - Final Cocktail – Exhibition – Campus Condorcet, Humathèque**



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