Leverhulme International Research Network

Project on “Continuity and Change in Indian Federalism”

Workshop, University of Delhi, 5-6 December, 2016

Venue : Room No.18, Satyakam Building, Faculty of Social Science, University of Delhi

5th December 2016

9:30am-9:45am- Registration

9:45am-10:00am - Welcome Address: Navnita Chadha Behera (Professor & Head of Department, Department of Political Science, University of Delhi), Rekha Saxena (Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Delhi), Wilfried Swenden (Associate Professor, Politics and IR Department, University of Edinburgh)

10:00 am to 11:30am - Rethinking Federalism & Governance
Chair- Ujjwal K. Singh (Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Delhi)
Discussant- Sanjeev Kumar H.M. (Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Delhi)

a. Constitutional Division of Powers in India: Between Institutional/Legal Centralization& Operational Decentralization – Arshi Khan (Professor, Aligarh Muslim University)
b. Federalism & the ‘Digital by Default’ Paradigm: Typologies, Opportunities & Risks- Ashish Abrol (IRS (IT))
c. Legal Framework: Issues in Centre-State Relation in Delhi- Kumar Mahesh (Principal Secretary, Department of Home, Delhi Govt.)
d. Rajya Sabha: More of a federal than a secondary chamber- Rekha Saxena (Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Delhi), Wilfried Swenden (Associate Professor, Politics and IR Department, University of Edinburgh) Rajesh Jha (Assistant Professor, Rajdhani College, University of Delhi)

11:30am to 11:45am – TEA
11:45 am to 1:45 pm - Administrative Federalism
Chair- Shri Prakash Singh (Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Delhi)
Discussant- Bipin Tiwary (Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Delhi)

a. Article 356 & its dysfunctions: Analysis of its misuse in Indian Federal System in recent times- Subhendu Raj (Associate Professor, PGDAV (Eve) College, University of Delhi)
b. IAS in the Federal Structure: Agency Theory & Practice- Tanvir Aeijaz (Associate Professor, Ramjas College, University of Delhi)
c. Indian Forest Service: Mandate & State Governments- Rekha Saxena (Professor, DU) and Rajesh Ranjan (Development worker)
d. TRAI & its federal relevance- M.P. Singh (Hon. Senior Fellow, CMF/ISS) & Niraj K. Singh (Assistant Professor, Maharaja Agrasen College, University of Delhi)
e. Multilayered Federal Governance in Delhi: A case study of law & order- Rekha Saxena (Professor, DU) and Amna Mirza (Assistant Professor, Shyama Prasad Mukherji College, University of Delhi)

1:45 pm to 2:30pm- LUNCH

2:30pm to 5:00pm - Environmental and Resource Federalism
Chair- M.P. Singh (Honorary Senior Fellow, CMF/ISS)
Discussant- V.N. Alok (Associate Professor, IIPA)

a. The Silent Valley Success: The State & The People- Shanta Nedungadi Varma (Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Delhi)
b. Land Acquisition, Movement Actors & Federalism: A case study of the anti-POSCO movement in Odisha- Biswajit Mohanty (Associate Professor, Deshbandhu College, University of Delhi)
c. Forest Rights Act & Third Level Federalism- Kamal Nayan Choubey (Assistant Professor, Dyal Singh College (Morning), University of Delhi)
d. Introspecting Green Federalism- A comparative study of NAPCC & SAPCC in Uttar Pradesh- Rekha Saxena (Professor, DU), Avantika Singh (Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Delhi)
e. Land Acquisition: A case study of Bhattaparsol- Rekha Saxena (Professor, DU), Jiyalal (Assistant Professor, Satyawati College (M), University of Delhi), Ashutosh Kr. Jha (Assistant Professor, B.R Ambedkar College, University of Delhi)
f. Human Rights of the Primitive Tribes(Kandha) in Niyamgiri area of Kalahandi district in Odisha- Rekha Saxena (Professor, DU), Sushant Kanungo (Practicing Lawyer & human rights activist)
6th December 2016

9:30 am to 11:30 am - Changing Dynamics of Fiscal Federalism
Chair- N.Sukumar(Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Delhi)
Discussant – Saroj Giri (Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Delhi)

a) Economic Governance and Political Incentives: Explaining Party System Stability and Change in India (1952-2014)- Chanchal Sharma (Associate Professor, Central University of Haryana) and Wilfried Swenden (University of Edinburgh)
b) Cooperative Federalism in India: New Changes in Centrally Sponsored Schemes- Rakesh Ranjan (IPS, Ex-Advisor, NITI Aayog)
c) Regional Business Chambers & Federalism in India- Himanshu Roy (Associate Professor, Deen Dayal Upadhyay college, University of Delhi)
d) Role of street level bureaucrats in MNREGA’s implementation: a case of Jharkhand- Rahul Mukand (Independent Analyst)

11:30 to 12:00- Tea

12pm to 2:00 pm - Multi-level Governance and Policy Making
Chair- Bidyut Chakrabarty (Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Delhi)
Discussant- Radu Carciumaru (Head, Heidelberg Centre South Asia, SAI, New Delhi)

a. Deepening Democracy & the challenge of decentralized governance- A.N.Roy (Director, Institute of Social Science)
b. Changing Contours of Educational Federalism in India- Kumar Suresh (Professor, National University of Educational Planning & Administration)
c. Decentralized Governance- Ajay K. Singh (Associate Professor, Center For Federal Studies, Jamia Hamdard)
d. Addressing critical gap in infrastructures & services through CSS in backward districts of Haryana: A case study of BRGF in Mahendragarh districts- Manoj K. Teotia (Faculty Member, CRRID, Urban governance & Development, Punjab, Chandigarh)

2:00 to 3:00pm- LUNCH

3:00 to 5:00pm: Understanding Multi-level Federalism through ICDS
Chair- Madhulika Banerjee (Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Delhi)
Discussant- Hilal Ahmed (Associate Professor, CSDS)

a. ICDS- An Exemplar of Cooperative Federalism- Alisha Dhingra (Senior Research Fellow, Department of Political Science, University of Delhi)
b. Evaluating ICDS through Intergovernmental Engagement- A case of Jajpur districts of Odisha- Sangita Dhal (Assistant Professor, Kalindi College, University of Delhi)
c. Functioning of the ICDS: A case study of Gujarat – Abhay Prasad Singh (Assistant Professor, PGDAV (M) College, University of Delhi), Rekha Saxena (Professor, DU), Alisha Dhingra (Senior Research Fellow, DU)

d. Implementation of ICDS: A Comparative Study of Punjab & Haryana - Rekha Saxena (Professor, DU), Rounak Pathak (Junior Research Fellow, Department of Political Science, University of Delhi), Anant Prakash (Research Associate, Department of Political Science, University of Delhi), Annapurna Sharma (Assistant Professor. Motilal Nehru College (E), University of Delhi).