

# MODERN SOUTH ASIAN HISTORY RESEARCH SEMINAR

Winter Semester 2024-25

The research group seminar will be held in presence in room 2.112 (Waldweg 26, Altbau) and will also be accessible through zoom.

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**Tuesday, 29 October, 4 – 6 pm**

**External Presentation (online)**

**Siddharth Muralidharan** (Frontline)

*Samsung Workers on Strike, Sriperumbudur, 2024: some reflections*

**Tuesday, 5 November, 4 – 6 pm**

**Project Presentation**

**Camille Buat** (CeMIS):

*Rural Transformations and Postcolonial Transition in North India (1930s-1960s)*

**Tuesday, 12 November, 4 – 6 pm**

**Naveen Chander** (CeMIS):

*Labour Regulations and the Politics of the (Un)organized. A View from the Delhi Tailors' Strike (1962-1964)*

**Thursday, 21 November, 4 – 6 pm (online)**

**Frank Perlin Memorial Meeting**

*with Jan Breman, Prachi Deshpande, Jan Lucassen, David Ludden, Nabhojeet Sen and Ravi Ahuja*

**Tuesday, 26 November, 4 – 6 pm**

**Lukas Rosenberg** (CeMIS):

*The Spatial Development of the Parel Railway Workshops*

**Bhaswati Bhattacharya** (CeMIS):

*Petrus Woskan, 1680-1750: The Life and Times of an Early Modern Merchant*

**Tuesday, 3 December, 4 – 6 pm**

**Rahul Maganti** (CeMIS):

*Limited Work, Surplus Labour — Strategies of Capital, State and Unions in Bombay Docks, 1980-1992*

**Tuesday, 17 December, 4 – 6 pm**

**External Lecture**

**Aditya Sarkar** (Warwick University):

*The Annual Bonus: Towards a Political Biography*

**Tuesday, 14 January, 4 – 7 pm**

**PhD Workshop**

**Nabhojeet Sen** (Bonn Center for Dependency and Slavery Studies): *State formation, Coercion and Intermediaries: Western Deccan, 1670s-1818*

**Shiva Singh** (Indraprastha IIT Delhi):

*Welfare Work and Algorithmic Governance: Transformations in Frontline Care Work in India*

**Anusheh Bakht Aziz** (CeMIS):

*The "Mill Girl" Phenomenon in the 20th Century*

**Tuesday, 28 January, 4 – 6 pm**

**Book Presentation**

**Görkem Akgöz** (International Institute of Social History):

*In the Shadow of War and Empire. Industrialisation, Nation-Building, and Working-Class Politics in Turkey (Brill, 2024)*  
(Commentator: **Anna Sailer**, CeMIS)

**Tuesday, 4 February, 9 am – 6 pm**

**MA Dissertation Workshop**

**Leo Sedlmair**: *Brahminical Indias Repeated? Continuities and Changes in German Portrayals of India in the Interwar Period*

**Muhammed Anees Mezhu Parakkal**: *The English East India Company and its Engagement with the Malabar Forest, 1792-1815*

**Nihal Hasan A N**: *Contextualising the Emergence of a Coastal Protection*

*Movement through the Spatial Production of Coastal Hazard in Chellanam*

**Azaam Abdul Nishtar**: *Classes of Lawyers and Orderings of Law: a Political Ethnography of Legal Practice in the Indian Metropolis of Delhi*

**Pavel Lebedev**: *Labour Conflict and Labour Regulation in early Railway Construction: the Bore Ghat Disturbances of 1859*

**Amrita Vellat**: *Studying the Criminal Lunatic: Criminality, Religion, and Insanity in Colonial India*