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# BOOK RELEASE AND DISCUSSION ON **MUSLIMS IN TELANGANA**

A DISCOURSE ON EQUITY, DEVELOPMENT AND SECURITY

June 10, 2021 Thursday | 4:30 pm - 7:30 pm

**INAUGURAL** | 04:30 pm - 04:40 pm

## **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION BY G. SUDHIR**

Development in India follows the ethnic planes, especially, caste and religion. Muslims in India, the second largest religious population of India (172 million persons as per Census of India 2011) and in the largest democracy of the world, are seen as undergoing increased relative underdevelopment and discrimination. Though Muslims in India are differentiated on the bases of sects, language, region and caste, it has been their religious identify, over the recent past, that has been emphasized in everyday political and policy discourse.

However, the important question for a multicultural country like India is how it will be able to manage its diversity and deliver development in qual measures to various groups. The rupture at one ethnic level may open the possibility of ruptures on other scales and levels as well and that may be counterproductive to the unity, integrity, peace, and democracy of the country. This book and the launch seminar on the 10<sup>th</sup> of June 2021 discusses these issues in the context of India and Telangana State and highlights major issues of concern.

The release of the book will feature a set of short panel discussions where authors will answer key questions on the arguments they have placed.



SESSION - 1 | 04:40 pm - 5:10 pm

## THE CONDITION OF MUSLIMS TODAY

Demographic Profile of Muslims

### DR. K. BALASUBRAMANIAN

K. Balasubramanian obtained a Doctoral Degree in Demography in 1981 from the Australian National University, Canberra. Dr. Balasubramanian has taught at International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPA), Mumbai, at the Population Research Centre, Pune, and at the Indian Institute of Health and Family Welfare (IIHFW), Hyderabad.

*Economic Status of Muslims*

### C. RAVI

C. Ravi is a Professor at Centre for Economic and Social Studies (CESS), an ICSSR institute, Hyderabad. Having done post-graduation (M.Sc.) in Statistics and holding a Ph.D. in Development Economics, his research contribution in the areas of economic growth, poverty, impact evaluation of welfare schemes/programmes, human development etc., has been well recognised.

*Challenges facing Muslims in Contemporary India*

### MOHD. TANWEER ALAM

Mohd. Tanweer Alam studied at Oxford and is now a Delhi based public policy professional and have been working on the issues of marginalisation and socio-economic inequality. He has an abiding interest in the area of political sociology, political economy and socio-economic inequality. He has been an activist and worked voluntarily with some Civil Rights Groups and NGOs, was engaged in advocacy on issues related to deprived groups.



SESSION - 2 | 05:10 pm - 05:40 pm

## RESERVATIONS FOR MUSLIMS

Reservations in India: Constitutional and Historical Perspectives

### MOHD. AFTAB ALAM

Mohd. Aftab Alam teaches political science at Zakir Husain Delhi College, University of Delhi. He has completed his Masters, M.Phil., Ph.D. in Political Science from Centre for Political Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. His areas of interest include; Indian politics, marginality, caste, modernity, South Asia, minorities and democracy.

*Reservations for Backward Classes: Evolution, Criteria and Commissions*

### KABITA BARAL

Kabita Baral is Assistant Professor at Regional Institutes of Education, NCERT, Bhubaneswar. Prior to that she was working as Research Analyst at Commission of Inquiry on socio-economic and educational conditions of Muslims in Telangana, Government of Telangana.

*Reservations in various states*

### VENKATANARAYANA MOTKURI

Venkatanarayana Motkuri is associate Professor and Coordinator of Research Cell on Education (RSEPPG) at Centre for Economic and Social Studies (CESS), Hyderabad. He has worked as a Senior Research Analyst (SRA) at Commission of Inquiry on Socio-economic and Educational Conditions of Muslims in Telangana, Government of Telangana. He has been working in the field of Development Studies for the last twelve years.

### T. SUNDARA VARDHAN

T. Sundara Vardhan was a Research Analyst at Commission of Inquiry on socio-economic and educational conditions of Muslims in Telangana, Government of Telangana. He is a post-graduate in economics and holds a M.Phil. from the HCU. He has been working in the field of Development Studies for the last eight years and also has the experience of working in the Corporate Sector in the fields of market research, supplier diversity and data analytics.



SESSION - 3 | 05:40 pm - 06:10 pm

## HEALTH AND THE MIGRANT WORKER

Migration and Impact of Remittances on Health

### IMTIYAZ ALI

Imtiyaz Ali is a research scholar from International Institute from International Population Sciences and, Public health Consultant, Quintiles IMS Health, Delhi. His research interest includes international migration, remittances and development, demography and public health. He has served as consultant to the Quintiles IMS health India in a various project.

*Migration and Impact of Remittances on Health*

### R. B. BHAGAT

R. B. Bhagat is Professor and Head, Department of Migration and Urban Studies, International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS), Mumbai, India. His research interest include migration and urbanization; demography, ethnicity and politics. He has served as Consultant to the UNESCO-UNICEF India Initiative on Migration and to International Organisation of Migration (IOM), and Advisory Committee Member of several governmental and non-governmental projects.

### SRIHARSHA DEVULAPALLI

Sriharsha Devulapalli is a data specialist currently based in the United States. Over the last five years, he has been extensively experimenting with spatialising demographic data in Indian cities.

*Health and Nutritional Status: The Context of Muslims*

### SAYEED UNISA

Sayeed Unisa is Professor in the Department of Mathematical Demography and Statistics at the International Institute for Population Sciences, Deemed University, Mumbai, India. Her research interests are nutrition, infertility, gender issues, large-scale surveys and multivariate analysis. She is Principal Investigator of the project of Lead Technical Support Agency for Baseline Survey for SWABHIMAAN Women's Nutrition Demonstration Programme in Phase- 1 States.



## **MOHD. USMAN**

Mohd. Usman is a doctoral fellow in the Department of Mathematical Demography and Statistics, International Institute for Population Sciences, Mumbai. He has been trained to frame a population policy, learn new fields quickly, think through problems in an analytical manner and maintain flexibility within a demanding schedule. His research involves fertility, adolescent's health, gender issues and women empowerment.

**KEYNOTE ADDRESS | 06.10 pm - 06.30 pm**

## **ASADUDDIN OWAISI**

Asaduddin Owaisi is an Indian politician, who is the President of the All India Majlis-e-Ittehadul Muslimeen (AIMIM). He is a four-time Member of Parliament (MP), representing the Hyderabad constituency in Lok Sabha, the lower house of the Indian Parliament.

**SESSION - 4 | 06.30 pm - 07.00 pm**

## **ECONOMIC ISSUES**

Educational Conditions of Muslims

### **P. APARNA**

P. Aparna is an Assistant Professor at Centre for Economic and Social Studies (CESS), Hyderabad. She has been awarded with doctoral degree in Development Studies with specialisation in Economics from CESS. She has completed one monograph on Livelihoods in Dry Land Areas of India for the Research Unit for Livelihoods and Natural Resources (RULNR, a unit supported by Jamsetji Tata Trust), at CESS. The Neighbourhood Effect: Coexistence of Residential and Occupational Opportunities in 'Muslim Neighbourhoods' of Hyderabad.

### **MOHAMMAD SAJJAD HUSSAIN**

Mohammad Sajjad Hussain's doctoral research looks at platform economy and labour with focus on food delivery workers in Hyderabad, India. He is the recipient of the Oxford Internet Institute's Summer Doctoral Programme 2019 Scholarship. Prior to his doctoral studies, he worked as Academic Associate at the Indian Institute of Management-Bangalore and as a researcher at the Hyderabad Urban Lab.

### **INDIVAR JONNALAGADDA**

Indivar Jonnalagadda is currently pursuing his Ph.D. in University of Pennsylvania in anthropology and South Asian Studies. He has conducted extensive and intensive fieldwork in the area of urban informalities particularly in housing and sanitation in Hyderabad.



## **ANANT MARINGANTI**

Anant Maringanti is a Director, Hyderabad Urban Labs, Hyderabad. With a Ph.D. from University of Minnesota and has taught graduate courses at the National University of Singapore and University of Hyderabad. His research and teaching interests centre on questions of urbanization and globalization from the South Asian vantage point. He has widely published in national and international academic journals on social movements, politics of development and urbanization.

*Conditions of Muslims in Telangana: Findings of the Primary Survey*

## **B. M. NAIDU**

B. M. Naidu is a Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) Specialist with nearly 25 years of research experience in development sector. He received doctoral degree in Statistics with specialization in Operations Research. Was a Takemi Fellow in International Health at Harvard School of Public Health, USA. Received professional trainings at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore; East West Centre, Hawaii and United Nations Staff College, Turin, Italy.

*Access to Credit and Banking Facilities by Muslim Households in Telangana*

## **CH. SANKAR RAO**

Ch. Sankar Rao is an Economist, holds MA from University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad and M.Phil. and Ph.D. from Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. Currently he is the faculty at Council for Social Development, Southern Regional Centre, Hyderabad. His broad research interest lies with Developmental Economics.

*Financial Inclusion of Muslims*

## **PERUMULA GOPINATH**

Perumula Gopinath Associate Professor, is a post-graduate (M.A.) in Economics from Hyderabad University, M.Phil. from CDS (JNU) and Ph.D. from TISS. He is teaching basic economics, gender poverty and livelihoods, labour economics, rural development and financial inclusion. He has attended international academic engagement in LSE, Chulalongkorn University Bangkok and UCD Dublin. He was given Erasmus Mundus visiting scholar fellowship to UCD Dublin in 2014.



SESSION - 5 | 07:00 pm - 07:30 pm

## CONCLUSION AND THE WAY FORWARD

Data Definition and Analytical Methodology for Indexing Backwardness According to Socio-religious Communities in Telangana: A Mandal Commission Framework Approach .

### ABUSALEH SHARIFF

Abusaleh Shariff is Chief Scholar at the US-India Policy Institute, Washington DC (since 2012) and President, Centre for Research and Debates in Development Policy, New Delhi ([www.crddp.in](http://www.crddp.in)). He Was a Chief Economist at the National Council of Applied Economic Research, New Delhi (1994-2012). He also worked as Senior Research Fellow at the Food Policy Research Institute, Washington DC (2008-2010) and National Professor and Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Chair, Maulana Azad National Urdu University (MANUU), Hyderabad during 2016-2017.

### G. SUDHIR

G. Sudhir is former Chairperson of the Commission of Inquiry on Socio-Economic and Educational Conditions of Muslims in Telangana, 2015-2019. He graduated from Nizam College and pursued his M.A. in Political Studies from Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. He was Principal Secretary of Higher Education, and then Principal Secretary, Cooperation and Agricultural Marketing, Tourism and Culture. He was Special Chief Secretary of Finance and Special Chief Secretary of Medical and Health in Government of Telangana from where he retired in June 2012.

### M. A. BARI

M. A. Bari is a Social Activist and Social Worker. He is Retired Lecturer and Educationist. He was member of the Commission on Inquiry on Socio-economic and educational Status of Muslims in Telangana, Government of Telangana, 2015-2019.

### ABDUL SHABAN

Abdul Shaban is a Professor at the School of Development Studies at Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai. He is author of *Mega-Urbanization in the Global South: Fast Cities and New Urban Utopias of the Postcolonial State* (Routledge London, 2016); *Muslims in Urban India: Development and Exclusion* (Concept Publishing, New Delhi, 2013); editor of *Lives of Muslims in India: Politics, Exclusion and Violence* (Routledge, 2012 London); *Mumbai: Political Economy of Crime and Space* (Orient Blackswan, 2010).