

**First Annual Conference of the Indian Association for South Asian Studies (IASAS)  
Rethinking South Asia: Alternative Paradigms, Practices and Discourses**

**7-9 November 2020**

**Day One: 07.11.2020 Saturday**

**03.05-03.55 PM (IST) Keynote Address: Professor Faisal Devji, University of Oxford**

Escaping the Global Event: India, Islam and the First World War

Chair: Professor Francis Robinson, University of London

**04.00- 06. 15 (IST) Symposium I: Empire and Mass Mobility in South Asia**

Chair: Dr Ashutosh Kumar, CASSS, New Delhi

**1. Professor Crispin Bates, University of Edinburgh**

Queering the South Asian Labour diaspora 1840-1920

**2. Professor Ananya Kabir, King's College London and Ari Gautier (Oslo)**

Subaltern mobilities as an archipelago of fragments: connecting histories on 'le thinnai kreyol'

**3. Professor Neilesh Bose, University of Victoria**

Das, Dayal, Khankhoke, and Roy: Empire, Globalisation, and Historical Biography, 1890 – 1950

**6.30- 9.30 PM (IST) Symposium 2: South Asia and the People Without History**

Chair: Professor Shahid Amin, University of Delhi

**1. Professor Gyan Prakash, Princeton University**

Bhuinyas and their idea of freedom

**2. Professor Sujit Sivasunadaram, University of Cambridge**

From Mumbai to the Gulf in the Age of Revolutions

**3. Professor Radhika Mongia, York University**

Citizenship Deprivation: Legality, Bureaucracy, and the Everyday

**4. Professor Nasir Uddin, University of Chittagong**

State in Everyday Life: A Case of Stateless Rohingya

**5. Professor Manuela Ciotti, University of Vienna**

Future traces: Dalits, material cultures, and the making of history now

Day Two: 08.11.2020 Sunday

**5.10- 5.50 PM Special Talk: Khal Torabully, Indologist and Cultural Theorist**

Theorizing in the Global South through the oceanic centrality of Coolitude

Chair: Dr Ashutosh Kumar, CASSS, New Delhi

**6.00- 8.00 PM (IST) Symposium 3: Caste in South Asia**

Chair: Professor

1. **Professor Dilip Menon, University of Witwatersrand**  
Hierarchy and Inequality: The violence of caste in India
2. **Professor Shaista Patel, University of California San Diego**  
Caste in Pakistan and its Diaspora
3. **Pradip Pariyar, Samanta Foundation, Nepal**  
Caste in Nepal