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Seminar programme
Fall semester 2008

SASNET seminars during the Fall 2008

Tuesday 26 August, 15.00–17.00

Public seminar: *Baul Shilpi – God's scapegraces*

Dr. **Christina Nygren**, Dept. of Musicology and Performance Studies, Stockholm University.

Organised in connection with a baul performance held the same evening

Venue: Theatre Sagohuset, Revingegatan 8

Wednesday 10 September, 13.15–15.00

Public seminar: *A Globalised South Asia and Human Rights*

Ms. **Parul Sharma**, CSR Advisor, Group Assurance, Sandvik AB

Organised in collaboration with the Centre for East and South-East Asian Studies (ACE)

Venue: Java Hall, ACE, Scheelevägen 15 C

Friday 19 September, 13.15–15.00

Public seminar: *The Dynamics of Caste, Class and Hindu Nationalism in India*

Prof. **Radhika Desai**, Dept of Political Studies, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Canada

Organised in collaboration with the Dept. of Political Science

Venue: Main conference room, Dept. of Political Science, Paradisgatan 5

Wednesday 24 September, 19.00–21.00

Public seminar/panel discussion:

Upptäckning Afghanistan. Vilken roll spelar de svenska soldaterna?

Mr. **Bengt Kristiansson**, former general secretary for SCA Sweden

Dr. **Stig Toft Madsen**, senior researcher at the Nordic Institute of Asian Studies (NIAS) in Copenhagen

Mr. **Allan Widman**, MP representing Folkpartiet, specialised on defence policy issues.

Moderator: Dr. **Catarina Kinnvall**, Dept. of Political Science, Lund University

Organised in collaboration with the Association of Foreign Affairs at Lund University (UPF), the Swedish Committee for Afghanistan (SCA) in Lund, and the Centre for Middle Eastern Studies (MES).

Venue: Auditorium (Hörsalen) at Lund University's Centre for Languages and Literature (SOL-Centrum), Helgonabacken 14

Tuesday 7 October

Public Seminar: *Human Rights and Women's Activism in Contemporary Pakistan*

Dr. **Durre S. Ahmed**, Head of Communication & Cultural Studies, National College of Arts, Lahore, Pakistan" on 2008.

Jointly organised by SASNET, Centre for Middle Eastern Studies (CME), and Lund University's Human Rights programme

Thursday 23 October 2008, 19.30–21.00

Public Seminar: *Political development in Nepal and the rise of a Maoist government*

Prof. David Ludden, Department of History at New York University, USA

Dr. Katak Malla, Dept. of Law, Stockholm University

HE Vijaykant Lal Kamam, Ambassador of Nepal to Scandinavia

Venue for the seminar: Auditorium (Hörsalen) at Lund University's Centre for Languages and Literature (SOL-Centrum), Helgonabacken 14

Tuesday 28 October 2008, 13.15–15.00

Public seminar: *Indian village: tradition, modernity and change*

Prof. Rana P.B. Singh, Banaras Hindu University, India

Organised in collaboration with the Dept. of History and Anthropology of Religions

Venue: Room 438, Centre for Theology and Religious Studies (CTR), Allhelgona Kyrkogata 8

Tuesday 11 November 2008, 13.00–15.00

Public seminar: *The South Asian City*

Prof. James Heitzman, UC Davis, California and Bangalore, India. Co-founder of Nagara, a trust devoted to urban affairs

Organised in collaboration with Division of Housing Development and Management, Lund Institute of Technology

Venue: Auditorium, Ingvar Kamprad Design Centre (IKDC), Sölvegatan 26

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