

SASNET Seminar

- in collaboration with the Dept. of Economic History

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holds a lecture about:

Naxal Violence in India Security Threat or Failure of Governance ?

Prof. Upadhyaya's presentation unravels the dynamic of the maost/naxalite rebellion in India's 'Red Corridor', stretching from Nepal to Andhra Pradesh, and whether its exclusive treatment as a security threat tends to obfuscate the generic issues of skewed democracy and development.

Tuesday 25 September 2007, 13.15–15.00

Venue: Conference room, Centre for East and South-East Asian Studies (ACE), Scheelevägen 15 D, 1st floor

All are welcome! Anna Lindberg Lars Eklund Swedish South Asian Studies Network, SASNET **Dr PRIYANKAR UPADHYAYA** currently Professor & Director at the Malaviya Centre for Peace Research at Banaras Hindu University holds a Ph.D. and M.Phil. Degree of Jawaharlal Nehru University; Advance International Diploma(s) in Conflict Resolution from the Uppsala University, Sweden (in 1989 & again in 2005) and has done post-doctoral research at London & Ulster University and the Woodrow Wilson Centre for International scholars, Wash DC

Has been a Faculty of Banaras Hindu University for over 28 years as a Lecturer, Reader and Professor teaching international relations & conflict resolution at Masters level and guiding research (has supervised 16 Ph.D.'s). Since March 1997, Dr Upadhyaya has been working full time as the Professor and Director of Malaviya Center for Peace Research (MCPR), - an interdisciplinary center within the Faculty of Social Sciences. The vision of this unique Centre and its salubrious growth has been one of the major accomplishments of Dr Upadhyaya. He has brought scholars and activists from across the globe and initiated several outreach programs to mobilize community responsibility vis-à-vis inter-state and intra-state violence. These endeavors include a series of successful town meetings participated by a number of Indian and Pakistani opinion makers and renowned conflict resolution experts.

The MCPR has its own journal and an interactive website (www.mcpr-bhu.org) and is soon likely to host a Fulbright Scholar from the US along with 2 Lecturer's (sanctioned by the UGC under the Scheme of Teaching & Research in Innovative & Interdisciplinary Areas) to supplement teaching of its nascent program of PG Diploma in Conflict Management & Development.

In recognition of his continuing endeavors, Dr Upadhyaya has been selected for various awards starting with the UGC Career Award in 1988 and the Guest Scholar Award of the Woodrow Wilson Centre at Wash DC 1992, Faculty Research Award, Canadian Govt 1999 and Senior Fulbright Award in 2004. He has been invited as a Visiting Professor at various Universities in Europe and North America including Concordia University, Montreal; Ulster University in Northern Ireland and US Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs and recently at the Karlstad University in Sweden. These interactive visits have helped him to tie up institutionally with several universities of Europe /North America.

In addition, Dr Upadhyaya has raised funds through research projects/programs to create an exemplary infra-structure including an independent library & a Net Lab way back in mid nineties for students/activists to tide over the so called digital divide.

Research Publications:

- "Securitization Matrix in South Asia: Bangladeshi Migrants as Enemy Alien", (Chapter 2), Anthony, Emmers and Acharya, (eds) Understanding Non Traditional Security in Asia : Dilemmas in Securitization (Ashgate Pub., Hampshire, 2006)
- 2. "Human Security, Humanitarian Intervention and Third World Concerns", Denver Journal of International Law & Policy, vol 33, no 4 Fall, 2004.
- 3. India and the Reforms at the United Nations (*India y la reforma de las Naciones Unidas*), *Maria-Chrstina Rosas (ed)*. 60 AÑOS DE LA ONU: ¿QUÉ DEBE CAMBIAR? publicado por la <u>Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México</u> Australian National University (ISBN: 970983504-1,) 2005
- "Electoral Strategies of Ethnic Conflict Management" in Indian Journal of Federal Studies, 2/2003, New Delhi. & Also in Election Reform in India (ed) AS Upadhyaya, (Concept Pubs 2004)
- "Non-Traditional Security Threats: Illegal Migration" in *Journal of Conflict* Management & Development, Vol. 1, no 1, Malaviya Centre for Peace Research, BHU, 2003.
- 6. "Human Rights & Governance: Police & Prison Reforms in India", in *Indian Journal of Federal Studies*, 1/2003, , New Delhi.
- 7. "Feminist Perspectives On International Relations & Conflict Resolution" in *Women & Peace, British Council, New Delhi, 2001.*
- "Jai Jagat: A Regional Approach to Peace in Victory to the World (Jai Jagat): Peace Ideas of Gandhi Vinoba & Disciples", in P Upadhyaya & Others (ed.) (2000): Jai – Jagat Sandesh (Victory to the World, Tibetan Institute of Higher Learning, Sarnath, Varanasi.
- 9. "Human Security and Peace Building in South Asia", in Patil V.K. & N.K.Jha, *Peace and Cooperative Security in South Asia*, P R Books, Delhi, 1999
- 10. "Pakistani Security Perspectives in the Nineties", in Arun Kumar Banerji (ed) Security Issues in South Asia: Domestic & External Sources of Threats to Security, Minerva Associates, Calcutta 1998
- "Human Rights: Democracy, Development and Peace" in Harsh Kr. Sinha (ed) (2002): Human Rights (in Hindi), Centre for Policy Analysis & Research, Lucknow.

12. "Environmentalism: A Global Concern", in *Concept & Currents*: Annual Journal of Political Science, Inaugural Issue, 2001, Directorate of Higher Education, Dehradun.