## A Two-day International Conference

on

### **Disability Justice: Looking Beyond Ableist Frames**

Organised by
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12 - 13 November, 2024 IDSK Auditorium, Salt Lake Campus

# Programme

### November 12, 2024 (Tuesday)

9.30am Registration

10am-10.15am Inaugural Session

Welcome Address by Director, IDSK

Introducing the Conference Theme: Rimjhim Bhattacherjee

10.15am-11.15am

Keynote Address Chair: Nandini Ghosh

Ableist Subversions of the Right to Accessibility: Amita Dhanda

11.15am-11.30am TEA

11.30am-12.30pm

Plenary Session I

(6<sup>th</sup> Floor) Chair: Michele Friedner

Disability Politics in India: Mapping the Terrains: Shilpaa Anand

Accessibility literacy and restorative justice: imagining disability accommodation

beyond legal compliance: Hemachandran Karah

12.30pm-1.30pm

Parallel Session 1 **Ableism in** (6<sup>th</sup> Floor)

**Ableism in Academia** Chair: Shilpa Das

Mapping Accessibility and Inclusion: The Experiences of the Persons with Disabilities in Educational Institutions in Kolkata: Chandrabali Dutta

& Sayantan Ghosh

Accessible Education and Dignity of Teachers with Disabilities Priyanka De

Exploring the Nexus of Stigma and Learning Disabilities in Premier Journals: Is the Global South Represented? Anupam Debnath and Paramita Roy

Parallel Session 2 (5<sup>th</sup> Floor)

Networks of Care I Chair: Supurna Banerjee

The complexity of Care: Analyzing the interplay of Gender, Kinship and Culture on Caregiving for Individuals with Disabilities in India: **Shrabanti Sen** 

Negotiating Care and Disability: An Account of Adolescents'

Experiences in Kolkata: Anusuya Moitra

Care Futures: Exploring institutional arrangements for ageing of people with developmental and intellectual disabilities in Bangalore: Meghana Rao

1.30pm-2.30pm

LUNCH

2.30pm-3.30pm

Parallel Session 3 (6<sup>th</sup> Floor)

Disability & Sexuality

Addressing the Sexual Wellness: Perception towards Sexual Health among

men with disabilities: Debarati Chakraborty

Identifying Intervention Gaps: A Practitioner's Insight into Exploring

Menstruation and Disability across India: Ankita Gupta, Nandini Chandak

& M Sivakami

Reading Disabled Fetal Imaginary beyond Ableist Frames Contamination, Involuntary Childness and Eugenic logic of Disability at TUMM: Misria Shaik Ali

Chair: Renu Addlakha

Parallel Session 4 (5<sup>th</sup> Floor)

**Literary and Cultural Interventions I** Chair: Rimjhim Bhattacherjee

Anthologizing Mental Health: Cultural and Literary Representations through Translation: Nabanita Sengupta & Nishi Pulugurtha

Deconstructing The Myth of Black Disability Politics in American Popular Culture:

Priyanko Sarkar

Of Invisibility, Isolation and Integration: Navigating through Disabled Women's Geographies of Resistance in Select Life Narratives: **Devika TR** 

3.30pm-3.45pm TEA

3.45pm – 5.15pm Roundtable: Conceptualising Access and Accommodation in India

Plenary

(6<sup>th</sup> Floor) Michele Friedner

Nandini Ghosh Snigdha Sarkar Kuhu Das

Deepa Palaniappan

#### November 13, 2024 (Wednesday)

10am-11am

Plenary Session II (6<sup>th</sup> Floor)

Chair: Renu Addlakha

Neurodiversity Perspectives in Disability Studies: Shubhangi Vaidya

From 'institutional care' to 'assisted living'? Parental journeys in navigating towards 'inclusion' in the context of autism in India: Shubha Ranganathan

11am-12noon

Parallel Session 5 (6<sup>th</sup> Floor)

**Disability Sensibilities** Chair: Rimjhim Bhattacherjee

Friendship and Disabilities: A Continuous Way of Inclusion: Bubai Bag

Smell and Mobility in Blind Everyday: Possibility of an Olfactory Infrastructure:

Sayantan Ghosh

Shifting Paradigms of Accessibility Discourse: A Study of Select Youtube Channels

of People with Disability: Jayanta Madhab Tamuly

Parallel Session 6 (5<sup>th</sup> Floor)

**Networks of Care II** 

Reimagining Caregiving and Wellness of Young Adults with Autism Spectrum

Disorder: Arpaita Datta, Maitree Ahmed, Indrani Basu & Mitu De

Capillaries of Care: Capacitating Justice: Nandana R

Decoding Care, Emotion and Power in Medical Encounters with Autistic Children

in Thiruvananthapuram, India: Parvathy Venu

12noon-1pm

Parallel Session 7 (6<sup>th</sup> Floor)

**Disability and Education** 

Chair: Hemchandran Karah

Chair: Shubha Ranganathan

Education for All: Centering Disability and Interdependence: Senjuti Basu

Navigating through Technocracy in Indian Blind Pedagogy: A Phenomenological

Analysis through the Lens of Disability Justice: Hrittika Bhowmick

Use of technology to redefine accessibility in higher education and employment

sectors for neurodiverse individuals: **Mitu De** 

Parallel Session 8 (5<sup>th</sup> Floor)

**Literary and Cultural Interventions II**Chair: Nishi Pulugurtha

'Determined to Prove a Villain': Challenging the Stereotypical Portrayals of Disabled Characters in Detective Fiction with Special Focus on Selected

Feluda Stories: Purba Ghosh & Ishan Chakraborty

*Double Disability – a study of disability and caste through Indian Cinema:* 

Sujay Thakur

*Portrayals of Disability in OTT Platforms – a focus on K-dramas:* 

Suchandra Bhaduri

1pm-2pm LUNCH

2pm-3pm

Parallel Session 9 (6<sup>th</sup> Floor)

**Disability Justice and the State** Chair: Amita Dhanda

Disability Justice: Perspectives, Policy and Actions through the Lens of State Capacity and Capability Approach in the Context of Kerala: Jos Chathukulam &

Manasi Joseph

Mothers of Children with Disabilities and Violence: Seeking Justice through

Legal Mechanisms: Shampa Sengupta

Contested Constructions of Care and Vulnerability: Status of Disabled Children

in Child Care Institutions in West Bengal: Sharannyo Banerjee

Parallel Session 10 (5<sup>th</sup> Floor)

Transforming Disability Narratives Chair: Shubhangi Vaidya

Design Shaping Resistance to Ableist Conceptualisations of Disability in Gujarat:

Shilpa Das

Transforming Autism Narratives: A Mother-Child Journey Through Art and

Advocacy: Moupikta Mukherjee

Life Skills among Children residing in Child Care Institutions: A Case Study:

Monojit Garai

3pm-4pm

Parallel Session 11 **Disability Perspectives on Health** Chair: Pallabi Das (6<sup>th</sup> Floor)

Decolonizing 'Care': Rethinking Mental Health Care in India: Swikriti Sanyal

Healthcare Challenges for Acid Attack Survivors: A Disability Perspective in India

: Shivam Raj

Refusing Obsolescence and Abandonment of Parts and People: Cochlear Implant

(Re)distribution Networks in Karachi, Pakistan: Michele Friedner

Parallel Session 12 (5<sup>th</sup> Floor)

**Disability Justice: Diverse Perspectives** Chair: Anwesha Sengupta

Disability, Stigma and transitions in Kinship Relations: Narratives from

a Leprosy colony in Odisha: Madhumita Biswal

Disabled in Love: Representation of Love & Sexuality of Disabled People

in Malayalam Comedy Cinema: Alice Abraham

Stammerer? Totla? Exploring Dysfluent Experience and Subversion in the

Indian Context: Rusha Chowdhurv

4pm-5pm

Valedictory Session Chair: Rimjhim Bhattacherjee

(6<sup>th</sup> Floor) Renu Addlakha

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