

Inter-Disciplinary Workshop in Development Studies (ISDS)-2019

Theme: "Urban Transformations"

The ISDS (Interdisciplinary Workshop in Development Studies) workshop organizing committee from the Centre for New Economics Studies, Jindal School of International Affairs, OP Jindal Global University is hosting its second annual workshop edition on the 21st September (Saturday) 2019. This year's One-Day Workshop is on the theme of 'Urban Transformations', constituting four thematically aligned Panel Discussions where academic scholars from London School of Economics, Jawaharlal National University shall be attending, apart from journalists and other independent scholars working in areas of urban studies. The panel themes include: *Migration and its Socio-Economic Effects*; *Changing Topographies and Geographies of Land from Effects of Climate Change*, and *Changing Dynamics of Social Identities in Urban Spaces*.

Saturday, 21 September 2019 | 9:30 am – 5:15 pm

**Venue: T2, Global Conference Room, 4th floor (via lift), O.P. Jindal Global University
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PROGRAMME

9:30 am – 11:00 am: Opening Session

Opening Remarks	Harshita Gupta, Prithviraj Khanna, ISDS Organizing Team Members
Welcome Address	Professor Deepanshu Mohan, Associate Professor & Director, Centre for New Economics Studies, Jindal School of International Affairs, O.P. Jindal Global University
Keynote Address	Professor Hyun B. Shin, Professor of Geography and Urban Studies, Department of Geography, London School of Economics
Response to the Keynote Address	Dr. Sreeram S. Chaulia, Professor and Dean, Jindal School of International Affairs
11:00 am – 11:15 am	Tea and Snacks

Panel 1: 11:15 am – 1:00 pm

Migration and its Socio-Economic Effects: A Transnational Perspective

Brief Description about the Panel Theme: *The issue of migration has been a critical subject of discussion and consideration in contemporary economic planning. As the 21st century witnesses increased migration trends due to political, economic and environmental factors across the developing world, this panel session shall seek to discuss some of the effects of migration including some of social, gendered aspects of it in context to cities.*

Chair: **Professor Ramaswamy Sudarshan, Dean and Professor, Jindal School of Government and Public Policy**

Panellists:

- **Professor Santosh Mehrotra**, Professor of Economics, Centre for Informal Sector and Labour Studies, School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University
Urbanisation, Education and Employment: The three Mega Challenges of Migration in India
- **Dr. Baishali Lahiri**, Research Associate at NIUA and working on Sustainable, Healthy and Learning Cities and Neighbourhoods
India's Critical Urban Future: Right to the City
- **Ms. Akriti Bhatia**, PhD Scholar, Delhi School of Economics
Impact of Climate Change on Informal Labour, Migration and Land Use

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm **Lunch Break**
Venue: Faculty Club- Rendezvous, F3, Faculty Housing

Panel 2: 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm

Changing Topographies & Geographies of Land from Effects of Climate Change

Brief Description about the Panel Theme: *The increased effects of Climate change have been one of the driving factors behind the greater advocacy for 'sustainable' urban development. This panel seeks to discuss the various geographical effects of climate change, especially on the use and utilization of land across rural and urban spaces in India.*

Chair: **Dr. Bhuvanewari Raman, Professor, Jindal School of Government and Public Policy**

Panellist:

- **Mr. Nitin Sethi**, Senior Associate Editor at Business Standard
Views on the Union government schemes for developing a sustainable management for forests and terrestrial ecosystems, keeping in mind the overall land use requirements for urban development
- **Mr. Sambhav Srivastav**, Co-founder of Land Conflict Watch and a Journalist
The lack of Sustainability Principles in current forest governance and its impact on people, ecology and investments
- **Dr. Swagato Sarkar**, Professor, Jindal Global School of Government and Public Policy
Reconfiguring the Land Question in India

3:30 pm – 3:45 pm **Tea & Coffee**

Panel 3: 3:45 pm – 5:15 pm
Changing Dynamics of Social Identities in Urban Spaces

Brief Description of the Panel: The onset of feminist movements across historical decades in different nations have often focused on multiple issues addressing gender-based divides (and discrimination) in spaces of work. As the nature of work is changing in a rapidly digitizing work-space, especially in cities of India, this panel seeks to understand (and highlight) the nature issues affecting the social-psychology of urban work across city-landscapes, and further understand of what consequences these (effects) have on the well-being of women and other social groups, both at the workplace and outside.

Chair: **Professor Deepanshu Mohan**, Associate Professor & Director, Centre for New Economics Studies, Jindal School of International Affairs, O.P. Jindal Global University

Panellists:

- **Dr. Mara Noguiera**, LSE Fellow in Human Geography, Department of Geography and Environment, London School of Economics
Impacts of the restructuring of global markets on the Brazilian informal economy: perceptions about Chinese migrants among local street vendors in the city of Belo Horizonte
- **Professor Laknath Jayasinghe**, Associate Professor & Vice Dean (Research), Jindal Global Business School
Shifts in Gender Norms in Australia and their Impact on Antipodean Consumer Behaviour
- **Professor Kaveri Haritas**, Associate Professor & Assistant Dean, Jindal School of Government and Public Policy
Working Futures: The ILO, Automation and Digital Work in India
- **Mr. Shyam Hari**, Fellow at National Institute of Advanced Studies (NIAS), Bangalore
Grievances in Identity Conflict: A review of 'Women's United' in Munnar

5:15 pm – 5:30 pm **Closing Remarks & Thank you Note**
ISDS Organizing Team

Initiatives of Centre for New Economic Studies (CNES)

- 1) *Nickeled & Dimed* is a research platform for young scholars and students, that is run by the research assistants of Centre for New Economics Studies (CNES). This platform encourages young scholars and graduate students to write about global, economic, political and law issues, while providing an economic outlook and delivering local perspectives that are often overlooked by mainstream media. The student run website serves as a platform for young scholars across the country to express their views, opinions and even research works in the field of political economy, development studies, public policy, applied macro and micro economics, international relations to name a few.
- 2) *Politica* is a student led discussion forum initiated by the Centre that seeks to promote active public engagement by scholars working on key socio-economic issues with an inter-disciplinary focus, along with those who are willing to share their research insights on current affairs. *Politica* involves scholars and academicians from across the country to come together and discuss and deliberate upon contemporary issues happening in India. Over the past few discussions, there have been healthy debates on topics ranging from: Inequality of Access in India, Sensationalism in Media Reporting, Violence in Kashmir to affirmative action and the state of the healthcare system in India. *Politica* manages to cover the entire spectrum of issues occurring in within the country, with this academic semester's theme focusing on "A Blueprint for a New India".
- 3) *CIDS (Conversations in Development Studies)* is a peer-reviewed, quarterly research publication produced by the senior research team of Centre for New Economics Studies. The student-driven editorial publication features solicited research commentaries from scholars currently working in the cross-sectional aspects of development studies. Each published CIDS Issue seeks to offer a comprehensive analysis on a (pre-identified) specific theme within the scope of development scholarship. Previously four research publication issues have been published. The inaugural issue on Gender in Development: A feminist perspective was themed on how gender development had evolved as an important area of focus in development studies. Other issues range on topics from examining the connectivity in South Asia to exploring new dimensions to economic analysis and reasoning. The editorial teams' vision is to let CIDS evolve organically as a space for cultivating creative ideas for young research scholars (within and outside the University) working dexterously to help us understand and broaden the development discourse through conceptual and methodological insights on contemporary issues.
- 4) *Inter-linked Podcast* is a conversation with leaders in the international arena that raises questions on the changing dynamics of the world order. *Inter-linked* aims to help students and listeners understand the changing waves of global affairs by engaging with experts who hold valuable insights on this front. So far, three podcast episodes have been conducted which explored India's neighbourhood policy, and on India's challenges in legal adjudication.

Research Clusters at the Centre for New Economics Studies (CNES)

The Centre is committed towards its research goal to explore wider possibilities for innovative research and apply methods that address 21st century societies' most pressing concerns. Research aim here is not only to publish but develop alternative possibilities for inter-disciplinary research within economic thinking and reasoning, and through short-term research studies involving ethnographic methods of data collation and analysis, while creating a genuine interest among young scholars to cross-fertilize scholarship learnings. The Research Clusters are thematically divided into 3 divisions, namely:

a) Law, Policy and Development: How These Inter-Sect with Each Other

i) Researchers: Tarini Mehtani, Madhav Grover, Harshita Gupta & Preeti Maheshwari

On-Going Work: The focus of research under this model is to focus on the practice of Mediation in Family Law and determine its effectiveness by visiting and interacting with Mediators and parties in District Courts in various cities of Haryana and NCT of Delhi.

ii) Researchers: Prithviraj Khanna, Niharika Yadav, Janeesha Singh

On-Going Work: The study is titled 'Experiments in improving Student Learning Outcomes: Saksham Model and its Role in Improvement of Quality of Education in Haryana'. The aim of the study is to analyse an important reform being undertaken in the Education system of Haryana through the Saksham scheme, which aims to make students in government schools Saksham or 'Capable'. There are several catalysts involved in the education system and the study would therefore try to understand the overall impact of this scheme.

b) Science, Technology & Society –Exploring The Impact of Technology on Societies

Researchers: Saakshi Tokas, Mansi Singh, Pranjali Dixit

On-Going Work: Researchers under this cluster currently focus on the question of the extent to which 'technological advancements' pertaining to a commercial activity (in service/manufacturing sector of occupation) affect the conditions of employment flexibility (i.e. nature of employment contracts, social protection, skill sets etc.) of workers in India with focus being on Himachal Pradesh.

c) Experimental Methods in Diagnosis Through Factoids

Researchers: Sahil Philip, Akshay Garg, Akshay Kannan, Abhinav Saggarr, Shhrijiet Roychowdhary

On-Going Work: *Factoids* are infographic spreads to provide explicit data-charts on key macroeconomic and micro-issues. This group is currently undertaking a study which is aimed at creating a *factoid* about the detailed analysis of Non-Performing Assets (NPA) since the nationalisation of banks and look forward to understand more about the sectoral composition of the NPAs' in Indian Economy. The infographics generated can be used as a reference for further research on the subject and can act as a reference guide for policy makers.

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About O.P.Jindal Global University (JGU)

O.P. Jindal Global University (JGU) is a non-profit global university established by the Government of Haryana and recognised by the University Grants Commission (UGC). JGU was established as a philanthropic initiative of its Founding Chancellor, Mr. Naveen Jindal in memory of his father, Mr. O.P. Jindal. JGU is one of the few universities in Asia that maintains a 1:10 faculty-student ratio and appoints faculty members from India and different parts of the world with outstanding academic qualifications and experience. JGU is a research intensive university, which is deeply committed to its core institutional values of interdisciplinary and innovative pedagogy; pluralism and rigorous scholarship; and globalism and international engagement.

JGU has established eight schools: Jindal Global Law School (JGLS), Jindal Global Business School (JGBS); Jindal School of International Affairs (JSIA); Jindal School of Government and Public Policy (JSGP); Jindal School of Liberal Arts & Humanities (JSLH); Jindal School of Journalism & Communication (JSJC); Jindal School of Art & Architecture (JSAA) and Jindal School of Banking & Finance (JSBF). JGU has been granted with "Autonomy" by the University Grants Commission and the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, for receiving the "A" Grade from the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC). This makes JGU the only private university in the state of Haryana and one of the only two private universities in India to be given the status of autonomy.

JGU has made history by breaking into the QS World University Rankings 2020. We are also the only Indian private university in the top 150 'young' universities in the world (under 50 years of age) in the QS Young University Rankings 2020. JGU is the youngest University in the world to feature in both these rankings.

About Jindal School of International Affairs (JSIA)

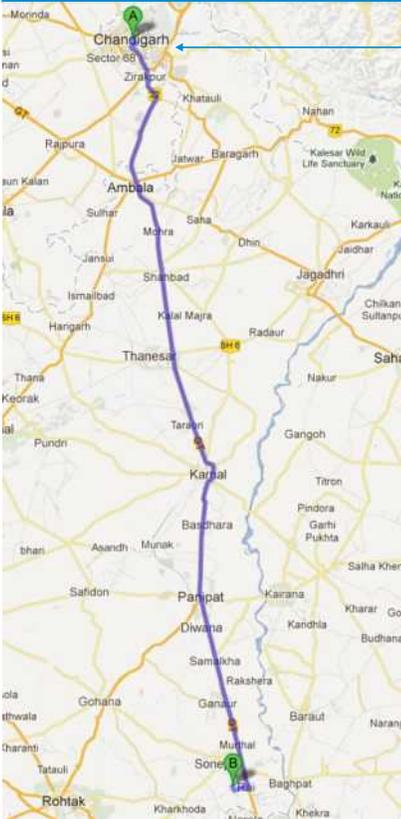
India's rising economic and military might must be complemented with a world class international affairs social science base that will generate and test theories and peddle a special Indian variant or brand of global studies. JSIA has become the locus of such an ambitious vision by situating India as a vibrant ground for social science ideas and debates and giving India a leadership role on the world stage. JSIA aims to place India on the global map as a provider of knowledge that is internationally relevant and of the highest standards.

JSIA is a response to numerous calls to action for improving the human resources India possesses in its journey of global ascendancy. It is unbecoming of an aspirant to great power status in the international system to not possess institutions that can produce knowledge which can form the basis for resolving the most pressing global problems of our time.

The byline for JSIA reads, 'India's First Global Policy School'. We are the first Masters (MA) degree awarding graduate school in any Indian university to date which explicitly combine the scholarly weights of three inter-related disciplines, viz. International Relations, International Law and International Business. This holistic 'Global Policy' approach stands apart from traditional approaches to studying world affairs, which were largely confined to the sub-field of Political Science known as International Relations.

JSIA offers world class inter-disciplinary education that connects a completely new megadiscipline that can be labelled as 'global policy studies' or 'world affairs studies'. In the fall of 2015, we began a three year B.A. in Global Affairs degree designed for (10+2) grade students interested in international policies and the global processes that affect all societies.

Route Map Chandigarh (A) to O.P. Jindal Glodal University (B)



If you are coming from Chandigarh

**Total Distance (A to B):
219 km**

**Total Time of Trave (A to B):
3 hours 25 minutes**

Important Landmarks

Ambala
Karnal
Panipat
Murthal
Beeswan Mil

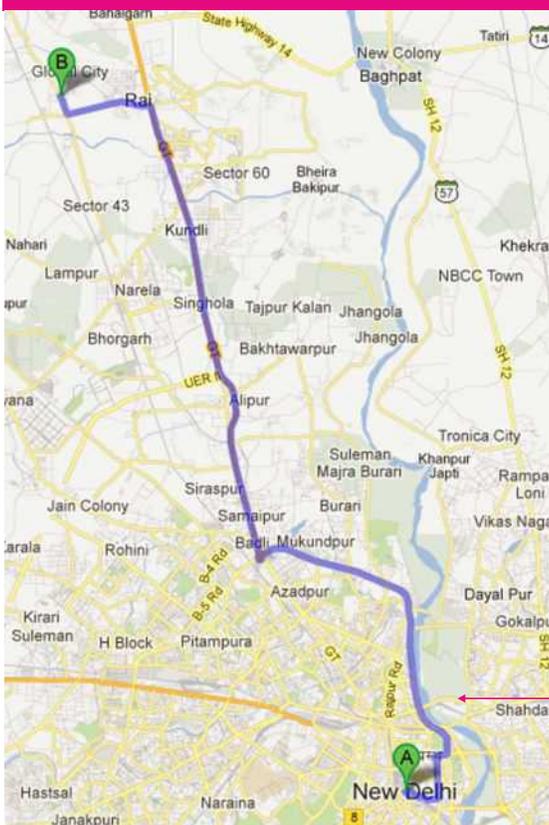
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Chandigarh (A)

1. Head towards **Udyog Path**
2. Exit the roundabout onto **Udyog Path**
Go through 1 roundabout
3. At the roundabout, take the **3rd** exit onto **Sukhna Path**
Pass by **Ballistics Lab Bus Stop** (on the left in 850 m)
4. Turn left onto **Dakshin Marg**
Go through 3 roundabouts
Pass by **Ordinance Cable Factory** (on the left in 2.6 km)
5. Continue onto **NH 21**
Pass by **Ambala, Karnal Panipat, Murthal**
6. Turn right from **Beeswan Mill**
7. Turn right **O.P. Jindal Global University (B)**

Route Map New Delhi (A) to O.P. Jindal Glodal University (B)



**Total Distance (A to B):
47.7 km**

**Total Time of Trave (A to B):
1 hours 7 minutes**

Important Landmarks

Karnal Bypass
Alipur
Sonipat-Narela Border
Kundli
Beeswan Mil

If you are coming from Delhi

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New Delhi (A)

1. Toward **ISBT Kashmiri Gate**
2. Head towards **Yamuna Marg** north on **Mahatma Gandhi Rd/Ring Rd**
Continue to follow **Ring Rd**
3. Continue onto **Dr KB Hedgewar Marg/Dr K B Hedgewar Marg/Outer Ring Rd**
Continue to follow **Dr KB Hedgewar Marg/Outer Ring Rd**
Pass by **Missionaries of Charity** (on the left in 2.6 km)
3. Continue onto **NH 1**
Pass by **Batra Petrol Pump** (on the left in 14.5 km)
4. Turn left from **Beeswan Mill**
5. Turn left **O.P. Jindal Global University (B)**