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PERSPECTIVES

School of Public Policy and Governance - Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Off-Campus, Hyderabad
The School of Public Policy and Governance, Hyderabad, was established in the year 2013, in order to educate young individuals in the disciplines of policy and governance. In keeping with its mission of mentoring students into top notch professionals, the School of Public Policy and Governance undertakes various initiatives.

Perspectives, the open lecture series, is one such initiative. Through this series, eminent academicians and development practitioners are invited to share their insights on themes of social and policy significance. Today, we are delighted to say that Perspectives has reached a milestone by completing 50 sessions.

This booklet showcases all the lectures series conducted by the Perspectives team at the School of Public Policy and Governance since its inception.

**Perspectives Team**

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Jayesh Ranjan is a member of the Indian Administrative Service (IAS) of the 1992 batch and working in the state of Telangana. He holds a Masters Degree in Psychology from Delhi University, a degree in Business Management from the Indian Institute of Management, Calcutta, and a Masters in Public Management from Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore. He has also done short courses in the University of Birmingham (on Environmental Policy Analysis), JICA training Institute, Tokyo (on lake remediation), London School of Economics (on Globalization and Leadership), Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University (in Public Policy), and Swedish Institute, Stockholm (on Sustainability and CSR). He is the All-India topper of his IAS batch of 1992. He was awarded World Bank’s Social Capital Visiting Scholarship in 2002 and the British Government’s Gurukul Chevening Scholarship in 2005. He has done international consultancy assignments for the World Bank, UN-ESCAP, Sedatu project of Mexico, and for international NGOs working for Youth Issues like YES, Inc of the USA and NMC from Italy. He is a part of the National Pool of Trainers in Leadership constituted by the Government of India, and is involved in training and mentoring newly recruited Civil Servants.

Jayesh Ranjan is the Principal Secretary of the Industries & Commerce (I&C) Department, Information Technology (IT) Department of the Telangana government. His assignment involves identifying opportunities of utilizing IT in various government processes, attracting new investments, and promoting digital empowerment of the citizens. His last few assignments have been in the Industrial Promotion sector as Commissioner and MD of the Industries Department, Secretary in the Tourism Promotion Department, and Vice-Chairman of the Hyderabad Urban Development Authority (HUDA), all for 2-3 years each, and various rural assignments in different parts of the state for over 12 years, working in diverse sectors like Tribal Development, Natural Resources Management, Poverty Alleviation and other related Social Development Sectors.
Thursday, 12th July, 2018

Speaker: Rajgopal Saikumar  
Department of English, New York University  
Title: Rhetoric in Death Penalty Judgements of the Indian Supreme Court

Thursday, 8th Feb, 2018

Speaker: Reti Hedley  
Teacher, Musician and Maori Cultural Rights Activist, New Zealand  
Title: Being Maori, Being Kiwi: Questions of Music and Identity in New Zealand Today

Thursday, 1st Feb, 2018

Speakers: Neha Wadhawan, Independent Researcher  
Kaustav Banerjee, Assistant Professor, Center for Social Exclusion and Discrimination, JNU  
Title: Symposium on Labour, Employment and Public Policy

Thursday, 18th Jan, 2018

Speaker: Ghazala Jamil  
Assistant Professor, Centre for the Study of Law and Governance, JNU  
Title: Book Discussion: 'Accumulation by Segregation Muslim Localities in Delhi'
Thursday, 11th Jan, 2018

Speaker: Purendra Prasad
Professor and Head, Department of Sociology, University of Hyderabad

Title: New Migrant Question: Exploitative Forms of Transit Labour in Three Regions of Andhra Pradesh

Thursday, 4th Jan, 2018

Speaker: Ujithra Ponniah
Assistant Professor, School of Gender Studies, TISS Hyderabad

Title: Managing Marriages through 'Self-Improvement': Women and 'New Age' Spiritualities in Delhi

Thursday, 21st Dec, 2017

Speaker: Narendra Luther
Historian, Literary Critic and Former Chief Secretary, Government of Andhra Pradesh

Title: Tales from Life

Thursday, 10th Aug, 2017

Speaker: K. Thangaraj
Senior Principal Scientist and Group Leader, CCMB, Hyderabad

Title: Human Origin, Health and Disease: Genomics Perspectives
Thursday, 3rd Aug, 2017

Speaker: Kingshuk Nag
Editor-in-Chief, KhabarStreet.com
Former Editor, Times of India (Hyderabad)

Title: Media and Democracy

Thursday, 27th July, 2017

Speaker: C. Niranjan Rao
Associate Professor, Centre for Economic and Social Studies, Hyderabad

Title: Patents and Pharmaceutical R&D

Thursday, 13th July, 2017

Speaker: Surajit Das
Assistant Professor, Centre for Economic Studies and Planning, JNU

Title: Understanding and Unbundling Goods and Service Tax

Thursday, 6th July, 2017

Speaker: Anindita Majumdar
Assistant Professor, Department of Liberal Arts, IIT-Hyderabad

Title: Infertility as Inevitable: The Nature of Chronicity and Assisted Reproduction in India
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Speakers: Jaya Prakash Narayan (Former IAS Officer), Founder Loksatta and Justice Chandra Kumar (Retd.), President Telangana Rythu Sankshema Samithi.

Title: Youth Parliament : Agricultural Crisis & Farmer suicides'

Thursday, 19th Jan, 2017

Speaker: Johny Stephen
Assistant Professor, TISS Hyderabad

Title: Jallikattu: Cultural vs Animal Rights

Thursday, 12th Jan, 2017

Speaker: Adithya Krishna Chintapanti
University of Warwick, United Kingdom

Title: Institutional and Behavioural Aspects Of Regulation

Thursday, 29th Sept, 2016

Speaker: Renjith Kuzhur
Film Director

Title: Film Screening: '18 Feet'
Thursday, 22nd Sept, 2016

Speaker: Piyali Das
Assistant Professor, TISS Hyderabad
Title: Goods and Services Tax: Issues and Prospects

Thursday, 15th Sept, 2016

Speaker: Pankaj Sekhsaria
Freelance Journalist, Photographer and Author
Title: Andaman & Nicobar: An Island Journey

Thursday, 8th Sept, 2016

Speaker: S. Siva Raju
Professor and Deputy Director, TISS Hyderabad
Title: Issues of Older Persons in India: Public Policy Responses

Saturday, 11th Aug, 2016

Speakers: Rachana Mudraboyna, Sabera Bakash, Vyjanti Vasanta Mogli
Transgender Activists
Title: Round Table on the Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Bill, 2016
Saturday, 4th Aug, 2016

Speaker: Alka Singh
Director, Save the Children, Hyderabad

Title: Prevention, Protection, and Promoting the Rights of Children

Thursday, 21st July, 2016

Speakers: Jai Undurti
Creative Director, Syenagiri

Title: How to Build a World: Imaginary Lands through Pictures and Words

Thursday, 7th July, 2016

Speaker: Ajay Gudavarthy
Assistant Professor, Centre for Political Studies, JNU, New Delhi

Title: Brahmanism, Liberalism, and the Postcolonial Theory

Thursday, 28th July, 2016

Speaker: Sasheej Hegde
Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Hyderabad

Title: Inquiry: Scholastic and Reflexive
21 Friday, 1st July, 2016

Speaker: R. Srivatsan  
Fellow, Anveshi Research Centre for Women’s Studies

Title: Policy and Ethics: Looking at the Problem of Childhood Malnutrition in India

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Speaker: Unduri Vindhya  
Chairperson, School of Gender Studies, TISS Hyderabad

Title: Why do People take up Protest Actions and What Happens When They Do? The Psychology of Social Movements

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Speakers: Pramod K Nayar  
Professor, Department of English, University of Hyderabad

Title: The Culture of Torture

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Speaker: Vijay Gudavarthy  
Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of Hyderabad

Title: Political Protests in India today
Thursday, 4th Feb, 2016

**Speaker:** R. Thirunavukkarasu  
Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Hyderabad

**Title:** Caste, Inequality and Democracy

Thursday, 14th Jan, 2016

**Speaker:** Divya Ravindranath  
Brown School of Social Work, Washington University in St. Louis

**Title:** Race in Contemporary America

Thursday, 7th Jan, 2016

**Speakers:** P. Venugopal  
Architect and Urban designer

**Title:** Urban Design, City Building, and Inclusion: A Review

Thursday, 3rd Sept, 2015

**Speaker:** V. Koti Reddy  
Director, Mohan Foundation

**Title:** Gift of Life: Multi-Organ Harvesting and Donor Apathy in India
Thursday, 27\textsuperscript{th} Aug, 2015

Speaker: Jameela Nishat
Founder, Shaheen Women’s Resource and Welfare Association

Title: ‘An Ounce of Life’: Violence Against Women in Hyderabad

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Wednesday, 19\textsuperscript{th} Aug, 2015

Speaker: Vandana Chaudhry
Assistant Professor, University of New York, College of Staten Island

Title: Disability and Perils of Neo-Liberal Governance: Ethnographic Perspectives

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Transgender Activists

Title: Panel Discussion on ‘Citizenship, Identity, and Dignity: Transphobia in Global City’

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Tuesday, 21\textsuperscript{st} July, 2015

Speaker: Jatin Desai
General Secretary, Indian Chapter, Pakistan India People’s Forum for Peace & Democracy (PIPFPD)

Title: Fishing in Troubled Waters: Indian Fishermen in Pakistan’s Jails
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Architect & Urbanist, Creative Director of UiD Consultancy

Title: Development Urbanism

Wednesday, 7th Jan, 2015

Speaker: Sujata Patel
Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Hyderabad

Title: Emerging Futures in Urban India

Wednesday, 21st Jan, 2015

Speaker: Swati Puchalapalli
Environmental Design Consultant, Founder of Terra Viridis

Title: Environmentally Sustainable Building Design

Wednesday, 28th Jan, 2015

Speaker: Felix Padel
Gujarat Ecological Society

Title: Ecology, Economy, Conflict and Tribal Movements
Speaker: Ashhar Farhan
Social Entrepreneur, Founder of Lamakaan

Title: A Talk on Amateur Radio
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