

WORKSHOP ON

Rendering the Invisible: Researching Marginality in the Social Sciences



Date

March 30 - April 01, 2026



Time

10:00 AM - 4:30 PM



Venue

Tiered Classroom, 5th Floor,
Homi J Bhabha Block

Open To: Undergraduates, Research Scholars and Faculty

Speakers



Dr Ghazala Jamil

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Concept Note

The methodology workshop invites researchers to slow down and rethink how marginality is seen, studied, and represented within the Social Sciences. Grounded in the experiential, it critically examines the positionality of the researcher and the politics of representation. It creates a space for bringing together different disciplines, methods, and people, recognising that meaningful research often emerges through such encounters. The workshop creates a space to ask how we can make sense of intersectionality as a methodological question, exploring how overlapping structures of inequality, such as caste, class, gender, and location, shape lived experiences in complex ways. Through conversations on inequalities, power and legibility, and diverse cultures of knowing, the workshop explores why some experiences are easily recognised while others remain unheard. By introducing approaches like sensory ethnography and mixed methods, participants are encouraged to engage more closely with the textures of everyday life, what people feel, sense, and live through. Overall, the workshop aims to nurture thoughtful, reflexive, and grounded research practices that are attentive not just to studying marginality, but to listening to it with care and responsibility.

Programme Schedule

Time	Day 1- March 30	Day 2 - March 31	Day 3 - April 01
10:00 PM -12:15 PM	Session 1- Dr Ghazala Jamil <i>Title: Power, Legibility, and Cultures of Knowing</i>	Session 1- Dr Anandita Pan <i>Title: How to make sense of Intersectionality?: A Question in Method</i>	Session 1- Dr Bheemeshwar Reddy <i>Title: Structural Marginality and Educational Inequalities in India</i>
12:15 PM	Tea Break		
02:00 PM - 04:30 PM	Session 2- Dr Chandan Bose <i>Title: Marginality and Sexuality: Crime, desire and technology in the city</i>	Session 2- Dr Ishita Dey <i>Title: Doing Multi-sited Ethnography: Biography of Sweetness</i>	Session 2- Dr Nanda Kishore Kannuri <i>Title: 'Mixing' Disciplines, Approaches, Methods and People</i>
04:30 PM	Tea Break		

Convenors

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