SCHEDULE

Day 1 – 18th November, Monday

10.00 (Onwards): Registration

10.30 – 10.45: Welcome Address: Tapati Guha Thakurta, Director, CSSSC

10.45 – 11.00: Opening Statement: Orientation Programme Organizing Committee: Dwaipayan Bhattacharyya, Soumyabrata Choudhury, Kiran Keshavamurthy, Manabi Majumdar

11.00 – 11.15: Tea Break

11.15 – 1.00: Inaugural Address and Discussion: Gopal Guru: Moral Foundations of Discrimination: What are the grounds for its defence? Chair: Manas Ray

1.00 – 2.00: Lunch

Session I

2.00 – 4.30: Politics, Religion and The Dalit Movement – I
Chair: Manas Ghosh

Speakers:
Postcolonial State and Dalit Christians – Forms of Discrimination in Kerala: Jestin T Varghese
Life, Songs and Citizenship in Dalit Christianity
Vinil Baby Paul

Caste Politics, Culture and Identity – Reading Tamil Dalit History
P Vellaisamy

Day 2 – 19th November, Tuesday

10.30 – 12.00: From Quest for Equality and Justice to Violence and Contestations – The Scheduled Castes of West Bengal in Indian context
Rup Kumar Barman
Chair: Kiran Keshavamurthy

Session I

12.00 – 1.30: Politics, Religion and The Dalit Movement – II
Chair: Rajarshi Ghose

Speakers:
Religion, Caste and Culture – Iyothee Thass and Counter-Cultural Imaginary:
Dickens Leonard

Caste of the Land – The Myth and Reality of Kerala Model
Joby Mathew

1.30 – 2.30 Lunch

Session II

2.30 – 4.00 New Social and Political Alliances – I
Chair: Ritajyoti Bandyopadhyay

Speakers:
Reconfiguration of Muslim “Politics” after 1990s – Crisis of Modernity and Mobilization for a New Democracy
Sadique PK

Growing Up – Tales of Familiarity, Tales of Unfamiliarity
Sarbani Bandhyopadhyay
4.00 – 4.15  Tea Break

**Session III**

4.15 – 5.45  *New Social and Political Alliances – II*
Chair: Rahul Mukhopadhyay

**Speakers:**
*New Social Alliance and After:*
Mousim Mondal

*Understanding the Politics of New Dalit Alliances in Contemporary West Bengal:*
Praskanva Sinharay

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**Day 3 – 21st November, Thursday**

10.30 – 12.00:  *Caste and Gender – A Necessary or Contingent relationship?*
Mary E John
Chair: Anirban Das

**Session I**

12.00 – 1.30:  *Collective Rights, The Women’s Question and Other Marginalities – I*
Chair: Priya Sangameswaran

**Speakers:**
*The Socio-Economic Condition of Malayali Tribe in Tamil Nadu During 1800-1947*
V Thukkan

*Social Construction of Masculinities and Violence Against Women*
Dr Silambarasan S

1.30 – 2.30:  *Lunch*

**Session II**

2.30 – 4.00:  *Collective Rights, The Women’s Question and Other Marginalities – I*
Chair: Trina Nileena Banerjee
Speakers:
*Interrogating the Interpellations: Certain Theses and Teachings on 18th Century Women’s History in Tamil Nadu*
Prabhu B

*Women’s Education and Gender Bias in the Fishing Community in Puducherry Region:
Sivakumar I and Usha V.T*

**Day 4 – 22nd November, Friday**

10.30 – 12.00: Social Discrimination and Economic Inequality—Exploring the Linkages: an overview of Western Bengal
Santosh Rana
Chair: Lakshmi Subramanian

**Session I**

12.00 – 1.30: *Reading Ambedkar Today*
Chair: Soumyabrata Choudhury

**Speakers:**
*Ambedkar's Thoughts on Liberty, Equality and Fraternity*
Parthasarathi Muthukaruppan

*Misinterpreting Ambedkar’s Writings:*
Kiran S Agawane

1.30 – 2.30: *Lunch*

**Closing Session**

2.30 – 4.00: *Artisans, Higher Education And Research:*
Kancha Ilaiah
Chair: Rosinka Chaudhuri