CENTRE FOR STUDIES IN SOCIAL SCIENCES, CALCUTTA, R-1 BAISHNABGHATA PATULI, KOLKATA 700094

GENERAL SEMINAR

Srila Roy and Alf Nilsen

will give a talk on the book:

"New Subaltern Politics: Reconceptualising Hegemony and Resistance in Contemporary India"

New Subaltern Politics presents a critical dialogue between the conceptual and analytical legacies of Subaltern Studies and the evolving forms of hegemony and resistance in contemporary India. From the struggles of the urban poor in Gujarat to the activism of sexual subalterns in eastern India and the mobilization of artisanal fishing communities in Tamil Nadu, the essays in this volume cover a diverse range of ongoing struggles against dispossession, disenfranchisement, and stigma that are unfolding in neoliberal India. The volume analyses the forms of collective agency that subaltern groups develop to negotiate with the workings of power from above. Foregrounding the imaginative, affective, and secular dimensions of subaltern agency, New Subaltern Politics interrogates the current relevance of Gramscian concepts of hegemony, subalternity, and the integral state in the contemporary Indian context. In this seminar, the editors of the book - Srila Roy and Alf Gunvald Nilsen - will present some of the key arguments of the book for discussion.

Discussants: Anirban Das, Assistant Professor in Cultural Studies, CSSSC. Ritajyoti Bandyopadhyay, Assistant Professor in History, CSSSC.

Date: Monday, 14th December, 2015 Time: 3 – 5 pm Venue: CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus

> Trina Nileena Banerjee (Convener, Seminar Committee)

All are welcome to attend.