

## ASPECTS OF GENDER AND RELIGION IN SOUTH ASIA

Waseda University, Tokyo  
23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> November 2017

### PROGRAM SCHEDULE

23<sup>rd</sup> November 2017

11:30 - 13:00	Welcome Lunch
13:00 – 14:00	Interaction with students at Waseda University on “Gender and Sexuality of Asian societies”
14:00 – 14:30	Introductory Remarks by Akiko Kunihiro and Meenakshi Thapan
14:30 – 15:30	<b>Speaker: Anurekha Chari Wagh</b> <i>Women Hindu Priests: Subverting Tradition or Strengthening Tradition</i>
15:30 – 16:30	<b>Speaker: Mayumi Iizuka</b> <i>Hindu Temple as Contact Zone: Between local nationalism and religious tradition</i>

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09.30 – 10.30	<b>Speaker: Misako Kanno</b> <i>Negotiating with destiny: Rural development and women’s agency in neo liberal India</i>
10:30 – 11:20	<b>Speaker: Meenakshi Thapan</b> <i>Gender and Education: Empowering the Teacher in Elementary School Classrooms</i>
11:20 – 12:20	<b>Speaker: Madhulika Sonkar</b> <i>Beyond Islamic Education: Adab, Conduct and Girls’ Experiences in a Muslim Minority School</i>
12.20 – 13.30	Lunch
13.30 – 14.30	<b>Speaker: Aparna Rayaprol</b> <i>Religion and Gender in the Context of Reverse Migration to Hyderabad</i>
14.30 - 15.30	<b>Speaker: Devika Mittal</b> <i>Religion and Religiosity in School Cultures: A Study in the Indian Context</i>

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09:30 – 10:30	<b>Speaker: Roma Chatterji</b> <i>Folk Theatre, Worship and the Modern Stage</i>
10:30 - 11:30	<b>Speaker: Akiko Kunihiro</b> <i>Begging or Blessing?: Encountering Hijras at the temple of Hindu Goddess of Gujarat</i>

11:30-12:30	<p><b>Speaker: Ryu Kaori</b> <i>Being Khawaja Sara or Being Transgender: How the religion means to the sexual minorities of Pakistan</i></p> <p>12.30 – 14.00 Lunch</p>
14.00 – 15.00	<p><b>Speaker: Mariko Hamaya</b> <i>Domesticate Brahmacharya: A Study of 'Lay Ascetic' Couples in Haridwar, North India</i></p>
15:00-15.30	Closing Remarks: Meenakshi Thapan and Akiko Kunihiro