M N Srinivas Memorial Lecture Series

Title: “India Beyond Mandal”

Start Date and Time: 08 Jan 2014, 06:00

End Date and Time: 08 Jan 2014, 00:00

Venue: NIAS, Indian Institute of Science Campus, Bangalore - 560 012

Speaker: Lord Meghnad Desai

Description: Fourteenth M. N. Srinivas Memorial Lecture (Sponsored by Syndicate Bank) to be delivered by Lord Meghnad Desai Emeritus Professor of Economics at the London School of Economics on “India Beyond Mandal”

The lecture will try to evaluate the logic behind the Mandal Commission Report, its impact on Indian politics and ask whether recent trends indicate the end of Mandalite politics.

on

Wednesday, January 8, 2014 at 6.00 p.m. (Coffee/Tea : 5.30 p.m.)
at J.R.D. Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore 560 012

Chairperson
Prof. Narendar Pani
Professor, School of Social Sciences, NIAS

* * * * *

For further information, please contact Dr. Hippu Salk Kristle Nathan <happyhippu@gmail.com>

-------------------------------

Title: Corruption as Participation In Neo-Liberal India

Start Date and Time: 24 Jan 2013, 18:00

End Date and Time: 24 Jan 2013, 19:30

Venue: J.R.D. Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore 560 012

Speaker: Prof. Arjun Appadurai

Description: Thirteenth M.N. Srinivas Memorial Lecture
(Sponsored by Syndicate Bank)

by

Prof. Arjun Appadurai
Paulette Goddard Professor of Media, Culture and Communication
New York University (USA)

on

"Corruption as Participation In Neo-Liberal India"

Date: Thursday, January 24, 2013
Time: 6.00 p.m.
Venue: J.R.D. Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore 560 012

About the Speaker:
Prof. Arjun Appadurai is a prominent contemporary social-cultural anthropologist, having formerly served as Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs at The New School in NYC. He has held various professorial chairs and visiting appointments at some of top institutions in the United States and Europe. In addition, he has served on several scholarly and advisory bodies in the United States, Latin America, Europe and India. Prof. Appadurai is a prolific writer having authored numerous books and scholarly articles. The nature and significance of his contributions throughout his academic career have earned him the reputation as a leading figure in his field.
industry, is the eldest son of the late KM Mathew, who was the chief editor of the newspaper from 1973 till his death on August 1, 2010.

After doing his B.A. and M.A. in medieval Indian history from St Stephen’s College, Delhi, Mammen underwent editorial training in “The Times of India.” He then joined “Manorama” as its Delhi correspondent. In 1968, he became a reporter for the “Western Mail” in Cardiff in the United Kingdom. He also worked in “The Sunday Times” in London when Sir Harold Evans was its editor. The following year, he worked as a reporter for the “Oklahoma City Times” and later for “The Daily Oklahoma”.

In 1970, he became the Resident Editor of “Manorama” Kozhikode unit. Ten years later, he assumed charge as the General Manager and Managing Editor of the company in Kottayam. In 1988, he became the Editor as well as the Managing Director.

---

**Title**: Eleventh M.N. Srinivas Memorial Lecture on Reflectionn on Globalization, Discrimination and Affirmative Action

**Start Date and Time**: 15 Mar 2011, 18:00

**End Date and Time**: 15 Mar 2011, 19:30

**Venue**: J.R.D. Tata Memorial Auditorium, NIAS

**Speaker**: Prof. Thomas E. Weisskopf

**Description**: Eleventh M.N. Srinivas Memorial Lecture (Sponsored by Syndicate Bank)

by

**Prof. Thomas E. Weisskopf**
Emeritus Professor of Economics
University of Michigan, USA

on

Reflectionn on Globalization, Discrimination and Affirmative Action

Date & Time: Tuesday, March 15, 2011 at 6:00pm
Venue: J.R.D. Tata Memorial Auditorium, NIAS

**PROGRAMME**
5.30 pm
Tea / Coffee
6.00 pm

**Opening Remarks**: Prof. V. S. Ramamurthy

**Memorial Lecture**: Prof. Thomas E. Weisskopf

**Vote of Thanks**: Prof. A.R. Vasavi

**Abstract**: Distinguishing three major eras of globalization over the past half-millennium, I address the variety of ways in which processes of globalization are likely to influence the nature and extent of discrimination against people on account of their racial or ethnic group identity. I then go on to consider the impact of the contemporary phase of globalization on efforts to counter discrimination via
policies of affirmative action. I focus particular attention on identifying similarities and differences between the global "center" and the global "periphery" with respect to the way in which contemporary globalization is likely to affect discrimination and affirmative action.

**About the Speaker:**

---

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Title</th>
<th>Tenth M.N. Srinivas Memorial Lecture on The Scenic and the Narrative: Anthropology in the Times of Violence</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Start Date and Time</td>
<td>19 Jan 2010, 18:00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>End Date and Time</td>
<td>19 Jan 2010, 17:30</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Venue</td>
<td>J.R.D. Tata Memorial Auditorium, NIAS</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Speaker</td>
<td>Prof. Veena Das</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Description</td>
<td>Tenth M.N. Srinivas Memorial Lecture</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

by

**Prof. Veena Das**
Professor, Johns Hopkins University, USA

on

**The Scenic and the Narrative: Anthropology in the Times of Violence**

at 6.00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 19, 2010

Venue: J.R.D. Tata Memorial Auditorium, NIAS

**PROGRAMME**

5.30 pm
Tea / Coffee

6.00 pm
**Opening Remarks** Prof. B.V. Sreekantan
**Memorial Lecture** Prof. Veena Das
**Vote of Thanks** Prof. A.R. Vasavi
Title: Ninth M N Srinivas Memorial Lecture on Sociology and Ideology
Start Date and Time: 14 Nov 2008, 00:15
End Date and Time: 14 Nov 2008, 00:15
Venue: National Institute of Advanced Studies, IIsc Campus, Banglaore - 560 012
Speaker: Prof Andre Beteille
Description: Ninth M N Srinivas Memorial Lecture

by

Prof Andre Beteille,
Former Chairman, Indian Council of Social Science Research, New Delhi

on

Sociology and Ideology

Date: at 6 p.m. on Friday, November 14, 2008
Venue: National Institute of Advanced Studies, IIsc Campus, Banglaore - 560 012

Title: Eighth M N Srinivas Memorial Lecture on Caste as Capital: Retelling the Story of Our Modernity
Start Date and Time: 27 Nov 2007, 00:07
End Date and Time: 27 Nov 2007, 00:07
Venue: National Institute of Advanced Studies, IIsc Campus, Banglaore - 560 012
Speaker: Prof Satish Deshpande
Description: Eighth M N Srinivas Memorial Lecture

by

Prof Satish Deshpande,
Department of Sociology, Delhi School of Economics, Delhi University

on

Caste as Capital: Retelling the Story of Our Modernity

Date: at 6.30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 27, 2007
Venue: National Institute of Advanced Studies, IIsc Campus, Banglaore - 560 012

Title: Seventh M N Srinivas Memorial Lecture on Back to the Village
Start Date and Time: 07 Nov 2006, 00:07
End Date and Time: 07 Nov 2006, 00:07
Venue: National Institute of Advanced Studies, IIsc Campus, Banglaore - 560 012
Speaker: Scarlett Epstein
Description: Seventh M N Srinivas Memorial Lecture
by

Scarlett Epstein

on

Back to the Village
Prof. Epstein was one of Professor Srinivas's first doctoral students and has extensively worked in Karnataka's villages.

Date: Tuesday, November 07, 2006
Venue: National Institute of Advanced Studies, IIsc Campus, Bangalore - 560 012

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Title</th>
<th>Sixth M N Srinivas Memorial Lecture on State and Identity: The Case of Karnataka</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Start Date and Time</td>
<td>18 Nov 2005, 23:58</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>End Date and Time</td>
<td>18 Nov 2005, 23:58</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Venue</td>
<td>National Institute of Advanced Studies, IIsc Campus, Bangalore - 560 012</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Speaker</td>
<td>Prof Rajendra CHENNI</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Description</td>
<td>Sixth M N Srinivas Memorial Lecture</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

by

Prof Rajendra CHENNI
Professor and Head, PG Department of Studies in English Kuvempu University, Shimoga

on

State and Identity: The Case of Karnataka

Date: Friday, November 18, 2005
Venue: National Institute of Advanced Studies, IIsc Campus, Bangalore - 560 012

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Title</th>
<th>Fifth M N Srinivas Memorial Lecture on Technology of Obsolescence</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Start Date and Time</td>
<td>16 Nov 2004, 23:49</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>End Date and Time</td>
<td>16 Nov 2004, 23:49</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Venue</td>
<td>National Institute of Advanced Studies, IIsc Campus, Bangalore - 560 012</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Speaker</td>
<td>Prof J P S Uberoi,</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Description</td>
<td>Fifth M N Srinivas Memorial Lecture</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

by

Prof J P S Uberoi,
Professor of Sociology, University of Delhi
Technology of Obsolescence

Date: Tuesday, November 16, 2004
Venue: National Institute of Advanced Studies, IIsc Campus, Bangalore - 560 012

Title: Fourth M N Srinivas Memorial Lecture on The fate of reforms
Start Date and Time: 28 Jan 2004, 23:42
End Date and Time: 28 Jan 2004, 23:42
Venue: National Institute of Advanced Studies, IIsc Campus, Bangalore - 560 012
Speaker: Arun Shourie
Description: Fourth M N Srinivas Memorial Lecture

by

Arun Shourie
Honourable Minister of Disinvestment, Communications, Information Technology,
Government of India

on

The fate of reforms

Date: Wednesday, January 28, 2004
Venue: National Institute of Advanced Studies, IIsc Campus, Bangalore - 560 012

Title: Third M N Srinivas Memorial Lecture on Does technology re-invent a purpose in civilization?: Teleology from Bergson to William Halal
Start Date and Time: 17 Jan 2003, 23:30
End Date and Time: 17 Jan 2003, 23:30
Venue: National Institute of Advanced Studies, IIsc Campus, Bangalore - 560 012
Speaker: Mr Justice M N Venkatachaliah
Description: Third M N Srinivas Memorial Lecture

by

Mr Justice M N Venkatachaliah

on

Does technology re-invent a purpose in civilization?: Teleology from Bergson to William Halal

Date: Friday, January 17, 2003
Venue: National Institute of Advanced Studies, IIsc Campus, Bangalore - 560 012
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Title</th>
<th>Second M N Srinivas Memorial Lecture on IT for the common man: Lessons from India</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Start Date and Time</td>
<td>03 Dec 2001, 23:21</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>End Date and Time</td>
<td>03 Dec 2001, 23:21</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Venue</td>
<td>National Institute of Advanced Studies, IIsc Campus, Bangalore - 560 012</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Speaker</td>
<td>Kenneth Keniston</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Description</td>
<td>Second M N Srinivas Memorial Lecture</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

by

Kenneth Keniston
Andrew W Mellon Professor of Human Development
Programme in Science, Technology and Society, MIT, USA

on

IT for the common man: Lessons from India

Date: Monday, December 3, 2001
Venue: National Institute of Advanced Studies, IIsc Campus, Bangalore - 560 012

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Title</th>
<th>First M N Srinivas Memorial Lecture on Religion in the contemporary world</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Start Date and Time</td>
<td>09 Jan 2001, 23:11</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>End Date and Time</td>
<td>09 Jan 2001, 23:11</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Venue</td>
<td>National Institute of Advanced Studies, IIsc Campus, Bangalore - 560 012</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Speaker</td>
<td>Dr. T N Madan</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Description</td>
<td>The First M N Srinivas Memorial Lecture</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

by

Dr. T N Madan
Institute of Economic Growth, New Delhi

on

"Religion in the contemporary world"

Date: Tuesday, January 9, 2001
Venue: National Institute of Advanced Studies, IIsc Campus, Bangalore - 560 012
### Raja Ramanna Memorial Lecture Series

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Title</th>
<th>India's Improbable Democracy: Theory, Comparison, Performance</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Start Date and Time</td>
<td>08 Aug 2013, 06:00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>End Date and Time</td>
<td>08 Aug 2013, 07:00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Venue</td>
<td>JRD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore 560 012</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Speaker</td>
<td>Prof. Ashutosh Varshney, Sol Goldman Professor of International Studies and the Social Sciences, Brown University, &amp; Dr. Raja Ramanna Chair Visiting Professor, NIAS</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Description</td>
<td><strong>Ninth Raja Ramanna Memorial Lecture</strong>&lt;br&gt;on&lt;br&gt;“India’s Improbable Democracy: Theory, Comparison, Performance”&lt;br&gt;by&lt;br&gt;Prof. Ashutosh Varshney&lt;br&gt;Sol Goldman Professor of International Studies and the Social Sciences, Brown University&lt;br&gt;&amp; Dr. Raja Ramanna Chair Visiting Professor, NIAS</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Abstract</td>
<td>Both theory and empirical evidence make it clear that while democracies can be established at any level of income, they do not last at low levels of income. India’s democracy is one of the greatest exceptions to the historical and comparative patterns. How does one understand the survival of democracy in India? What are the challenges that lie ahead?”</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### Title | India’s External and Internal Security |
| Start Date and Time | 21 Jan 2013, 17:30 |
| End Date and Time | 21 Jan 2013, 19:00 |
| Venue | JRD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore |
| Speaker | Shri Shivshankar Menon |
| Description | **Eighth Raja Ramanna Memorial Lecture**<br>by<br><br>**Shri Shivshankar Menon**<br>National Security Advisor to the Prime Minister of India<br><br>on<br><br>“India’s External and Internal Security” |
| Chairperson | Prof. V.S. Ramamurthy, Director, NIAS |
Date: Monday, 21 January, 2013,  
Time: 5.30 PM  
Venue: JRD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore

PROGRAMME
5.00 p.m.  
Tea/Coffee  
5.30 p.m.  
Opening Remarks & Welcome: Prof. V.S. Ramamurthy  
Book Release  
Memorial Lecture: Shri Shivshankar Menon  
7.00 p.m.  
Vote of Thanks: Prof. Dilip R. Ahuja

Title: Seventh Raja Ramanna Memorial Lecture on Reflections on the Rajiv Gandhi Action Plan for a Nuclear-Weapons-Free and Non-violent World Order

Start Date and Time: 27 Feb 2012, 18:00
End Date and Time: 27 Feb 2012, 19:30
Venue: JRD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore - 560 012
Speaker: Shri Mani Shankar Aiyar
Description: Seventh Raja Ramanna Memorial Lecture

by

Shri Mani Shankar Aiyar  
Member of Parliament-Rajya Sabha


Chairperson: Dr. V.S. Ramamurthy, Director, NIAS

Date: Monday, 27 February, 2012  
Time: 6.00 pm  
Venue: JRD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore

About the Speaker:
Shri Mani Shankar Aiyar, after his early schooling in Welham and Doon School, Dehra Dun, studied Economics in St Stephen's college, New Delhi. On completing his graduation with Distinction (recipient of Ranade Prize for standing First in the University), he joined MA Tripos in Economics in Cambridge, U.K. and in the course of his studentship served as Secretary, Cambridge Union Society. During the period of stay Shri Aiyar was described as the "best speaker in the union" by his contemporary Norman Lamont. Later Shri Aiyar received D.Sc. (honoris causa) from the Indian School of Mines, Dhanbad in 2006 and was made an Honorary Fellow, Trinity Hall, Cambridge University, UK, in 2010. He is also the Chairman of the India Chapter of The South Asia Foundation and Gandhi Ashram Reconstruction Trust.

Apart from his brilliant Academic record Shri Aiyar has a very distinguished career both as a Diplomat and Member of Parliament. As a Diplomat, he served...
in various places, Brussels, Hanoi, and Baghdad from 1963 to 1989. He was Consul General of India in Karachi from 1978 to 1982. Following this he was elected to Lok Sabha thrice and was nominated to the Rajya Sabha. For his significant contributions to the Indian Parliament he was conferred the Outstanding Parliamentarian Award by the President of India in 2006.

In his capacity as a Member of the Parliament, Shri Aiyar was actively involved in the work of Several Committees associated with Rural Development, Forests and Environment, Human Resource Development and External Affairs between the years 1999-1996. He was also a Member of the Joint Parliamentary Committees on the Constitution (73rd Amendment) and Stock Market Scams. In the wake of political experience Shri Aiyar also served as Minister in the Ministries for Panchayati Raj, Petroleum and Natural Gas, Youth Affairs and Sport and Development of North-East Region between 2004 and 2009.

Shri Aiyar was actively involved in Head-quarters Administration in various capacities, such as Under Secretary, Economic Division, Private Secretary to the Minister of Industrial Development, Deputy Secretary, (Bangladesh-Economic) and occupied similar positions elsewhere. With his outstanding academic, diplomatic and political record Shri Mani Shankar Aiyar also has to credit several important publications such as: "A Time of Transition : Rajiv Gandhi to the Twenty-First Century" (Penguin India, 2009). "Confessions of a Secular Fundamentalist" (Penguin India, 2004), "Rajiv Gandhi’s India" [4 Volumes] [Ed. UBPSD '1997], "Pakistan Papers" (UBPSD,1994), "Remembering Rajiv" (Rupa, 1992).

Title : Sixth Annual Raja Ramanna Memorial Lecture on The Science of Musical Excellence

Start Date and Time : 12 Sep 2010, 04:29
End Date and Time : 12 Sep 2010, 04:29
Venue : J.R.D. Tata Auditorium, NIAS
Speaker : Dr. T. Ramasami
Description : Sixth Annual Raja Ramanna Memorial Lecture on "The Science of Musical Excellence"

Title : Fifth Annual Raja Ramanna Memorial Lecture
Start Date and Time : 18 Jan 2010, 04:26
End Date and Time : 18 Jan 2010, 04:26
Venue : J.R.D. Tata Auditorium, NIAS
Speaker : Ambassador Saurabh Kumar
Description : Fifth Annual Raja Ramanna Memorial Lecture
by

Ambassador Saurabh Kumar, IFS (retd.)
(formerly Ambassador of India to the IAEA, UNIDO & UN Offices in Vienna; Austria; Ireland & Vietnam)

on

"Striving for a Nuclear Weapon Free World"

>> View Pdf

Related links : 12032012064218_L3-2010-SK.pdf

---

Title : Fourth Annual Dr Raja Ramanna Memorial Lecture on Science for national development
Start Date and Time : 20 Jan 2009, 04:23
End Date and Time : 20 Jan 2009, 04:23
Venue : J.R.D. Tata Auditorium, NIAS
Speaker : Dr. Anil Kakodkar
Description : Fourth Annual Dr Raja Ramanna Memorial Lecture

by

Dr. Anil Kakodkar,
Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission and Secretary, Department of Atomic Energy

on

Science for national development

---

Title : Third Annual Dr Raja Ramanna Memorial Lecture on Nuclear energy in India: self-reliance and international cooperation
Start Date and Time : 08 Jan 2008, 04:20
End Date and Time : 08 Jan 2008, 04:20
Venue : J.R.D. Tata Auditorium, NIAS
Speaker : Dr. R Chidambaram
Description : Third Annual Dr Raja Ramanna Memorial Lecture

by

Dr. R Chidambaram,
Principal Scientific Advisor to Government of India

on

Nuclear energy in India: self-reliance and international cooperation
Title: Second Annual Dr Raja Ramanna Memorial Lecture on Evolution of India's nuclear policies in the context of changing security perceptions

Start Date and Time: 24 Jan 2007, 04:16
End Date and Time: 24 Jan 2007, 04:16
Venue: J.R.D. Tata Auditorium, NIAS
Speaker: Shyam Saran
Description: Second Annual Dr Raja Ramanna Memorial Lecture

by

Shyam Saran,
Special Envoy of Prime Minister

on

Evolution of India’s nuclear policies in the context of changing security perceptions

Title: First Annual Dr Raja Ramanna Memorial Lecture on Dr Raja Ramanna

Start Date and Time: 27 Jan 2006, 04:11
End Date and Time: 27 Jan 2006, 04:11
Venue: J.R.D. Tata Auditorium, NIAS
Speaker: Prof C V Sundaram
Description: First Annual Dr Raja Ramanna Memorial Lecture

by

Prof C V Sundaram
Former Director, Indira Gandhi Centre for Atomic Research, Kalpakkam & former Homi Bhabha Visiting Professor of NIAS

on

"Dr Raja Ramanna"

Prof R L Kapur Oration

Title: "Culture and Self: Some Emerging Concerns"

Start Date and Time: 13 Jun 2014, 17:00
End Date and Time: 13 Jun 2014, 18:00
Venue: JRD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore 560012
Speaker: Prof Girishwar Misra
Description: THE SECOND R L KAPUR ORATION

by

Prof Girishwar Misra
"Culture and Self: Some Emerging Concerns"

Date: Friday, June 13, 2014
Time: 5.00 PM (Coffee/Tea: 4.30 PM)
Venue: JRD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore 560012

About the Lecture: The exploration of self is witnessing resurgence in social scientific scholarship. However, being embedded in an individualistic ontology and a positivist epistemology, the mainstream view continues its concern with ego-invested self structures. People defend and self-protect against ego-discrepant experiences and cling to ego affirming ones. Empirical investigations tend to evince that engagement with self oftentimes distorts our perceptions of the outer world, compels to draw inaccurate conclusions and escalates many problems including depression, anxiety, jealousy and social conflict. The notions about self, originating from the Western world, are getting exported and are treated as the international standards leading to some sort of homogenising of the mind and world. The cross-cultural and cultural evidence, however, tends to suggest that mental phenomena cannot be separated from culture and reduced to mere biological functions. The brain is acculturated and cultural influences are often local and intimate. It needs to be realized that the loss of diversity in world’s differing conceptions of self and well being is not less important than the loss of biodiversity.

The hyper individualism so characteristic of the Euro-American world is deeply influenced by the split between the mind and the body, conscious and unconscious, and individual and group. However, there are cultures in the world where such a partitioning is not operative and the conceptions of mind are holistic and intertwined with the socio-cultural context. They have yet not separated the mind from body, nor have disconnected individual health from that of the group. Thus the Indian perspective holds the self as a ‘conscious being’ and proposes movement towards intricate and integrative self-structures. The discourse brings in higher order organization having potential to foster healthy development. It also strives toward a ceaseless search for the self that is integrated, authentic and harmonious with the inherent aspects of the core self. Being conscious involves dealing with a constant stream of experiences. Being open, it goes for integration and greater unity in understanding and functioning. Opening to reality involves seeing what is present with a high tolerance for varied experiences without being threatened or defending against it. According to this view, life is an ongoing process in which one experiences continuous change through a balancing act of participation and abandonment.

It seems that the structure and processes of self are cultural constructions. The cultural practices are not only sources of personal and social identity but also operate as strategies for managing self and its relationship with the rest of the world. As a psychological process self is subjective and personal but is certainly transmitted, nurtured and sustained by the culture in which we live. The dialogues, narratives and other social discourses tell how self is described, responded to and evaluated. Thus cultures help in representing and
experiencing a self both as object and subject of experience. There is need to think about the interface between culture and mind by encouraging intercultural dialogue and understanding.

**About the Speaker:** Prof Girishwar Misra (b. 1951), PhD in Psychology, is currently Vice Chancellor, Mahatma Gandhi Antarrashtriya Hindi University, Wardha. During his academic career spanning over four decades he has been Professor of Psychology at the University of Delhi for the last two decades and taught at Bhopal, Allahabad and Gorakhpur Universities. His teaching and research interests include cultural and indigenous psychology, human development, self and identity and emotions. He has been President of the National Academy of Psychology, India; Senior Fulbright Fellow at Swarthmore College, Philadelphia and University of Michigan, Ann Arber; and Dean, Faculty of Arts and Dean Research, University of Delhi. He has been visiting faculty at Rohr University, Bochum, Germany, University of Sussex, Britain and New School of Social Research, New York. He is a recipient of National Fellowship by the NAOP, and National Fellowship of the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) and Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru National Award from MP Council of Science & Technology. His major publications include Psychological Consequences of Prolonged Deprivation (NPC, Agra, with L B Tripathi), Deprivation: Its Social Roots and Psychological Consequences (Concept, with D Sinha & R C Tripathi), Perspectives on Indigenous Psychology (Concept, with A K Mohanty), Psychology of Poverty and Social Disadvantage (Concept, with Ajit Mohanty), Applied Social Psychology in India (SAGE), New Directions in Indian Psychology, Vol. 1. Social Psychology (SAGE, with Ajit Dalal), Psychological Perspectives on Stress and Health, Towards a Culturally Relevant Psychology (with J Prakash), Rethinking Intelligence (Concept, with A K Srivastava), Psychology and Societal Development, Foundations of Indian Psychology (Pearson, with Matthijs R, Cornellison & Varma), four volumes of Psychology in India: Advances in Research (Pearson, and New Directions in Health Psychology (SAGE, with Ajit Dalal) and Psychology & Psychoanalysis and Handbook of Psychology in India (Oxford). He edits Psychological Studies (Springer). He is currently coordinating Sixth ICSSR Survey of Psychological Research in India as its Chief Editor.

* * *

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

For further details, please contact: Prof Anindya Sinha, Dean, Academic Affairs, NIAS, asinha@nias.iisc.ernet.in

---

**Title** : The Complementarity of Civilizations: Rabindranath Tagore Revisited  
**Start Date and Time** : 23 Aug 2013, 16:30  
**End Date and Time** : 23 Aug 2013, 18:00  
**Venue** : JRD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore 560 012  
**Speaker** : PROF. SUDHIR KAKAR  
**Description** : Prof. R L Kapur Oration  

**About the Lecture:** In his reflections on India’s encounter with the West, its consequences and its ideal outcome, Rabindranath Tagore was incisive on the disquiets afflicting both the Indian and Western civilizations, disquiets which have become raging discontents in our own times. This talk will revisit Tagore’s views on this encounter and the promise they hold for addressing some of our
current dilemmas.

About the Speaker: Prof. Sudhir Kakar is a psychoanalyst and writer who live in Goa, India. He has a degree Bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering, Master's degree in business management and a doctorate in economics from Vienna before beginning his training in psychoanalysis at the Sigmund-Freud Institute in Frankfurt, Germany. He has taught general Education at Harvard University, has been Research Associate at Harvard Business School and has been Professor of Organizational Behaviour at Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad. Currently, he is a Senior Homi Bhabha Fellow, Fellow at Centre for Advanced Study in Humanities at the University of Cologne, Germany, Adjunct Professor of Leadership, INSEAD, Fontainbleau and D.D. Kosambi Visiting Research Professor, Goa University. After returning to India in 1975, Dr. Kakar set up a practice as a psychoanalyst in Delhi where he was also headed of the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences at Indian Institute of Technology. He has been 40th Anniversary Senior Fellow at the Centre for Study of World Religions at Harvard (2001-02), a visiting professor at the universities of Chicago (1989-93), McGill (1976-77), Melbourne (1981), Hawaii (1998) and Vienna (1974-75) and a Fellow at the Institutes of Advanced Study, Princeton and Berlin. He is leading figure in the fields of cultural psychology and the psychology of religion, renowned novelist. He is a member of the New York Academy of Sciences, the Board of Sigmund Freud Archives in the Library of Congress, Washington and the Academie Universelle des Culture, France. In February 2012, he was conferred the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany, the country's highest civilian order. Prof Sudhir Kakar has written seventeen books of non-fiction and four of fiction. A new book, Young Tagore: The Makings of a Genius, will be published by Penguin-Viking in September 2013. His books have been translated into twenty one languages around the world.

Chairperson: Prof. Malavika Kapur, Visiting Professor, NIAS

K Subrahmanyan Memorial Lecture Series

Title: Strategic Parity for Peace: Engaging China in the 21st Century
Start Date and Time: 30 Jul 2013, 18:00
End Date and Time: 30 Jul 2013, 17:30
Venue: JRD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore 560 012
Speaker: Dr Onkar Marwah, IAS (Retd)
Description: K Subrahmanyan Memorial Lecture

by

Dr Onkar Marwah, IAS (Retd)
Distinguished Fellow
Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies, New Delhi

On
Strategic Parity for Peace: Engaging China in the 21st Century

Chairperson:
Prof. V S Ramamurthy

Date: Tuesday, July 30, 2013
Time: 6.00 pm  (Coffee/Tea: 5:30 pm)
Venue: JRD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore 560 012

About the Lecture:
The India-China relationship is likely to be the most complex, perhaps the most competitive relationship between two of the world’s mega-states in the twenty-first century. Their cooperative interactions will be edgy and formal, often brittle - irrespective of public professions to the contrary. Presently, the military and economic might of China is substantially higher than India’s, but this will be of less relative significance after the next 10-to-15 years – provided that, in this intervening period, India’s strategy is ‘smart’, selective, and consensually sustained by insulation from ad-hoc re-direction or neglect due to the periodic democratic changes of our political dispensations. The paper explores India’s historical, social, political and economic realities to analyze the constraints as well as the practical means by which the objective can be obtained of providing the country a dynamically-evolving process of strategic parity with China.

About the Speaker:
Dr Marwah is a former member of the Indian Administrative Service (1959 batch); He has studied at the University of Calcutta, the London School of Economics, Yale University and University of California, Berkeley; He has held research faculty appointments at Cornell and Harvard Universities, and was Deputy Director of the Programme for Peace and International Security Studies at the Graduate Institute of International Studies, University of Geneva. Dr. Marwah has authored/edited four books and over fifty published articles/monographs on nuclear, defence and security affairs, and is currently working on a study of India’s strategy and defence for the 21st century.

---

**Title**: Borders and National Security

**Start Date and Time**: 06 Sep 2012, 11:00

**Venue**: Lecture Hall, NIAS

**Speaker**: Shri Jaswant Singh

**Description**: K Subrahmanyam Memorial Lecture

by

**Shri Jaswant Singh**
Hon’ble Member of Parliament
New Delhi

On

"Borders and National Security"

**Date**: Thursday, September 6, 2012
**Time**: 11.00 a.m.
**Venue**: Lecture Hall, NIAS
PROGRAMME
10:30 am
Coffee/Tea
11.00 am
Welcome Address  Prof. V S Ramamurthy
Introduction of the Speaker  Prof. S Settar
Memorial Lecture  Shri Jaswant Singh
Vote of Thanks  Prof. R Nagappa

About the Memorial Lecture:
National Security is a holistic concept, of which a definition and management of borders or frontiers; land; maritime; air, including spaces is vital.

Some countries are endowed with their geographically defendable borders. Is India so endowed? It has to also be recognised that geographical boundaries most often do not coincide with strategic frontiers. Has independent India dealt with this responsibility? Has it a defined or clear concept of its strategic frontiers?

Title: K Subrahmanyam Memorial Lecture on Emerging India: Strategic Challenges and Opportunities
Start Date and Time: 13 Apr 2011, 18:00
End Date and Time: 13 Apr 2011, 19:30
Venue: J.R.D. Tata Memorial Auditorium, NIAS
Speaker: Ambassador Arundhati Ghose
Description: K Subrahmanyam Memorial Lecture

by

Ambassador Arundhati Ghose
Distinguished Fellow
Institute for Peace & Conflict Studies
New Delhi

On

Emerging India: Strategic Challenges and Opportunities

At 6.00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 13, 2011
Venue: J.R.D. Tata Memorial Auditorium, NIAS

PROGRAMME
5:30 PM
Tea/coffee
6.00 pm
Opening Remarks  Prof. V S Ramamurthy
Introduction  Dr. K Santhanam
Memorial Lecture  Amb. Arundhati Ghose
Vote of Thanks  Dr. Nabeel A Mancheri

Abstract:
India is in transition, both internally—from a low income country to a middle income one—and externally, as she begins to experience and exercise her new-
found economic and military and therefore political power. The challenges she faces are, in a sense, unprecedented, as the world itself is in transition, as power would seem to be shifting, with uncertain outcomes, from the West to Asia. Her strategic challenges could, however, also present opportunities which would require a carefully calibrated management of the exercise of her new found influence—whether in relations with the US, a rising China and an unstable neighbourhood. One of the most subtle challenges among the many that are likely to be consequences of the changes in the international scene, would be from the established world order, in response to which she could either continue to be seen as a ‘naysayer’, or become an active participant in setting agendas and drawing up rules in areas such as non-proliferation, outer space, international trade and finance and climate change. India has traditionally been a cautious player on the international stage, believing in incremental changes rather than radical reform. Today, however, her policy decisions cannot be predetermined, either by strongly held traditional positions, ideologies or alliances but will have to be more agile and adaptable in her choices of partners and paths in an era of uncertainty, with her national interest as the basic anchor of her foreign policy. While she cannot, for a country like India, rule out any moral obligation as an element of her policies, her approaches will have to have an assertiveness, flexibility and nuance that has not been evident earlier.

**About the Speaker:**
Ambassador Arundhati Ghose had a distinguished career spanning nearly forty years in the Indian Foreign Service, which she joined in 1963. She has served in our Missions in Austria, the Netherlands, Belgium (Brussels—then EC) Bangladesh and New York (in the Permanent Mission to the UN). She was Ambassador to the Republic of Korea, Egypt, Permanent Representative to UNESCO in Paris and the UN Offices in Geneva and Ambassador to the Conference on Disarmament, Geneva. Ambassador Ghose served as a member and Chairman of the UN Secretary General’s Disarmament Advisory Board upto 2001 and was also a member of the UN Committee on Economic and Cultural Rights till 2005. She was a member of the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) till 2004. Currently she is Distinguished Fellow at the Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies, New Delhi and Global India Foundation, Kolkata. She is a member of Institute of Defence Studies and Analysis and United Services Institution, New Delhi. She is a member of the Editorial Board of India’s National Security Annual Review and Faultlines, both published from New Delhi. In 2007, she was nominated by the Ministry of External Affairs as member of Task Force on Non-proliferation and Disarmament.

She has several publications on topics relating to arms control and non-proliferation in journals, chapters in edited volumes and newspaper articles to her credit. She has lectured extensively on these topics.
C V Sundaram Memorial Lecture Series

Title: "Materials Related Technologies on our Cultural Heritage"
Start Date and Time: 30 Oct 2013, 06:00
End Date and Time: 30 Oct 2013, 00:00
Venue: JRD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore 560 012
Speaker: Dr. Baldev Raj
Description: C.V. Sundaram Memorial Lecture on ""Materials Related Technologies in our Cultural Heritage"

About the lecture: Ancient India excelled in mathematics, medicine, metallurgy, astrology and town planning. The talk has main focus on metallurgy and related technologies. Empirical but robust technologies of winning metals, forging, casting and forming were demonstrated in the context of cultural ethos of the times and with a mind set to achieve aesthetic beauty and functional excellence. Zinc Distillation and novel copper-zinc alloys, Wootz Steel Swords, South Indian Bronzes, Delhi Iron Pillar, Musical Pillars of Hampi, etc. are only a few examples of excellent insights towards realization of unparallel leadership in materials related technologies and today are jewels in our rich Cultural Heritage. The author explains scientific facts, based on his findings to answer some of the unsolved issues related to understanding of South Indian Bronzes, Delhi Iron Pillar and Musical Pillars of Hampi; a few of archeomaterial iconic objects and structures, on which the author and his colleagues has the privilege to pursue studies. Relevant and comprehensive characterization and evaluation is one of the established ways towards understanding above mentioned technology marvels, and is indeed a foundation for right approaches to conservation of our precious and enviable archeo-heritage.

About the Speaker: Dr. Baldev Raj has served the Department of Atomic Energy over a forty two year period until 2011. As Distinguished Scientist and Director, Indira Gandhi Centre of Atomic Research, Kalpakkam, he galvanized a whole community of staff, scientists and engineers for advancing several challenging technologies, especially those related to the fast breeder test reactor (FBTR) and the prototype fast breeder reactor (PFBR). Dr. Raj has pioneered application of NDE for basic research using acoustic and electromagnetic techniques in a variety of materials and components. He is also responsible for realising societal applications of NDE in areas related to cultural heritage and medical diagnosis. He is currently President, International Institute of Welding, President, Indian National Academy of Engineering and President-Research PSG Institutions, Coimbatore. He is a member of Scientific Advisory Council to Prime Minister, Scientific Advisory Council to Cabinet, Nano Mission Council of India and Apex Advisory Committee, MHRD. He is Chairman, Board of Governors, IIT, Gandhinagar & NIT, Puducherry. Dr. Baldev Raj is a Fellow of INSA, IAS, NAS, IINAE, The Third World Academy of Sciences, German Academy of Sciences, International Nuclear Energy Academy and Academia NDT, International. He has been conferred Distinguished Alumnus Award of IISc, National Metallurgist Award of Ministry of Steel, GoI, Presidential honour Padma Shri. Indian Nuclear Society, Life Time Achievement Award (2011), Homi J Bhabha Gold Medal Award from the Prime Minister, India during 99th Indian Science Congress (2012), etc.

Date: Wednesday, October 30, 2013
Time: 6.00 pm
Coffee/Tea: 5:30 pm

Please confirm your participation in dinner to:

niasoff@gmail.com or 080-22185019/5000 on or before Monday 28 Oct, 2013 (3.00 PM).

---

**Lakshmi Nizamuddin Memorial Lecture Series**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Title</th>
<th>Second Mrs. Lakshmi Nizamuddin Memorial Lecture on India as a Nation and Society</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Start Date and Time</td>
<td>10 Aug 2012, 17:30</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>End Date and Time</td>
<td>10 Aug 2012, 19:00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Venue</td>
<td>J.R.D. Tata Memorial Auditorium, NIAS</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Speaker</td>
<td>Prof. U.R. Ananthamurthy</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Description</td>
<td>Second Mrs. Lakshmi Nizamuddin Memorial Lecture on &quot;India as a Nation and Society&quot;</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

by

**Prof. U.R. Ananthamurthy**
Eminent Litterateur

**Date:** Friday, August 10, 2012  
**Time:** 5.30 pm  
**Venue:** J.R.D. Tata Memorial Auditorium, NIAS

---

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Title</th>
<th>First Lakshmi Nizamuddin Memorial Lecture on India’s Innovation Challenge for Inclusive Development</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Start Date and Time</td>
<td>12 Aug 2011, 00:01</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>End Date and Time</td>
<td>12 Aug 2011, 00:02</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Venue</td>
<td>J.RD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore 560 012</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Speaker</td>
<td>Kiran Mazumdar Shaw</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Description</td>
<td>First Lakshmi Nizamuddin Memorial Lecture on India's Innovation Challenge for Inclusive Development</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

by

**Kiran Mazumdar Shaw**
Mohandas Moses Memorial Lecture Series

Title: Third Mohandas Moses Memorial Lecture and Launch of His Biography "A Stranger in Paradise"
Start Date and Time: 24 Mar 2008, 18:00
End Date and Time: 24 Mar 2008, 19:30
Venue: JRD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore 560 012
Speaker: Shri Sudhakar Rao
Description:
6.30 p.m. Welcome and Introductory Remarks By Prof. B. V. Sreekantan, NIAS
6.45 p.m. The Author, Smt Achala Moulik Introduces "A Stranger in Paradise"
7.00 p.m. Book Release By Shri Sudhakar Rao, IAS, Chief Secretary, Government of Karnataka
7.05p.m. Reminiscences of Shri Mohandas Moses By Shri Sudhakar Rao, IAS

Title: Second Mohandas Moses Memorial Lecture on Actors, Acting and Action
Start Date and Time: 18 Dec 2006, 16:30
End Date and Time: 18 Dec 2006, 18:00
Venue: JRD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore 560 012
Speaker: H.E.Sri Gopalkrishna Gandhi
Description: Second Mohandas Moses Memorial Lecture

Actors, Acting and Action
by
H.E.Sri Gopalkrishna Gandhi, Governor of West Bengal

This lecture is being organised as part of the Tenth UGC Course for University and College Teachers

Title: First Mohandas Moses Memorial Lecture on The Future of the Bureaucracy in Changing Times
Start Date and Time: 26 Jan 2006, 00:00
End Date and Time: 26 Jan 2006, 00:00
Venue: JRD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore 560 012
Speaker: Sri N N Vohra, IAS (Retd), Government Interlocutor for J & K, New Delhi
Description: First Mohandas Moses Memorial Lecture
on

The Future of the Bureaucracy in Changing Times

By
Sri N N Vohra, IAS (Retd), Government Interlocutor for J & K, New Delhi

JRD Tata Birth Centenary Lecture Series

Title : Sixth JRD Tata Birth Centenary Lecture on Is there a hope for Humanity
Start Date and Time : 12 Dec 2005, 00:01
End Date and Time : 12 Dec 2005, 00:02
Venue : JRD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore 560 012
Speaker : Archbishop Desmond Tutu
Description : Sixth JRD Tata Birth Centenary Lecture on Is there a hope for Humanity

by
Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Nobel Laureate, Cape Town, South Africa

Date: 12 December 2005
Venue: JRD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore 560 012

Title : Fifth JRD Tata Birth Centenary Lecture on Demographic Future of India
Start Date and Time : 30 Sep 2005, 00:01
End Date and Time : 30 Sep 2005, 00:02
Venue : JRD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore 560
Speaker : Prof Ashish Bose
Description : Fifth JRD Tata Birth Centenary Lecture on Demographic Future of India

by
Prof Ashish Bose, Hon. Professor, Institute of Economic Growth

Date: 30 September 2005
Venue: JRD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore 560 012
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Title</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Fourth JRD Tata Birth Centenary Lecture on Vision for Aeronautics Mission</td>
<td>Vision for Aeronautics Mission by His Excellency the President of India Dr A P J Abdul Kalam</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Start Date and Time</td>
<td>20 Aug 2005, 00:01</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>End Date and Time</td>
<td>20 Aug 2005, 00:02</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Venue</td>
<td>JRD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore 560 012</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Speaker</td>
<td>Dr Sundar Sarukkai</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Date: 20 August 2005</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Venue: JRD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore 560 012</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Third JRD Tata Birth Centenary Lecture on The Idea of Trusteeship in Gandhi and JRD Tata</td>
<td>The Idea of Trusteeship in Gandhi and JRD Tata by Dr Sundar Sarukkai</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Start Date and Time</td>
<td>27 May 2005, 00:01</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>End Date and Time</td>
<td>27 May 2005, 00:02</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Venue</td>
<td>JRD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore 560 012</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Speaker</td>
<td>Dr Sundar Sarukkai</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Date: 27 May 2005</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Venue: JRD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore 560 012</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Second JRD Tata Birth Centenary Lecture on Deccan Traverses: From 'Naked country' to 'Garden City'</td>
<td>Deccan Traverses: From 'Naked country' to 'Garden City' by Ms Anuradha Mathur and Dr Dilip da Cunha,</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Start Date and Time</td>
<td>30 Sep 2004, 00:01</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>End Date and Time</td>
<td>30 Sep 2004, 00:02</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Venue</td>
<td>JRD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore 560 012</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Speaker</td>
<td>Ms Anuradha Mathur and Dr Dilip da Cunha,</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Date: 30 Sep 2004</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Venue: JRD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore 560 012</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Title: First JRD Tata Birth Centenary Lecture on JRD Tata’s legacy to Science and Higher Education
Start Date and Time: 24 Aug 2004, 00:01
End Date and Time: 24 Aug 2004, 00:02
Venue: JRD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore 560 012
Speaker: Prof M G K Menon, Dr Vikram Sarabhai Distinguished Professor, ISRO
Description: First JRD Tata Birth Centenary Lecture

on

JRD Tata's legacy to Science and Higher Education

by

Prof M G K Menon, Dr Vikram Sarabhai Distinguished Professor, ISRO

Date: 24 August 2004
Venue: JRD Tata Auditorium, NIAS, IISc Campus, Bangalore 560 012