

Curriculum Vitae

Ritu Agarwal Ph. D

Current Position

Associate Professor in Chinese Studies
Centre for East Asian Studies
School of International Studies
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Education

Ph.D., Chinese Studies, Thesis: *Rural Reforms and Their Implications for Women in China*, Department of Political Science, University of Delhi (2005)

M. Phil., Chinese Studies, Department of Political Science 1997
Title of Dissertation: “Gender Justice and Economic Reforms in India and China with Special Reference to the Country Reports Presented at the Fourth World Conference on Women in Beijing”

M A in Political Science 1995
Centre for Political Studies
Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

One –Year Intensive Diploma Course in Chinese Language, Department of East Asian Studies, University of Delhi, 1996-97

One- year Chinese Language Course, Beijing Language and Culture University, Beijing, 1997-98

Teaching and Research Experience

Associate Professor (Chinese Studies), Centre for East Asian Studies, School of International Studies, JNU, since July 2008

Lecturer (Chinese Studies) in the Department of East Asian Studies,
University of Delhi, November 2007- April 2008

Research Associate, Department of East Asian Studies, University of Delhi,
November 2002 to July 2006. Assignments include regular M. Phil course
lectures on Contemporary Chinese Politics

Research Assistance, Project on China in the 21st Century, Institute of
Chinese Studies, CSDS, Delhi 1996-1997

Courses for PhD at CEAS

Chinese Politics
Society and Culture in Post-Mao China

Courses for Post-Graduation at SIS
Government and Politics in China
China and Global Politics

**Project Coordinator, ICSSR Project, Asian Connections and Trans-Border
Linkages in Yunnan Province, China, 2016-19**

Publications

Articles, Chapters

Agarwal, Ritu (co-authored with Govind Kelkar) 'Power Through Culture:
**The Gender Paradigm in China's Soft Power Engagement in the Global
South,** Advances in Politics and Economics, Vol 6, No.4, 2023 ISSN 2576-
1382 (Print) ISSN 2576-1390 (Online
<http://www.scholink.org/ojs/index.php/ape/article/view/34548>
DOI: <https://doi.org/10.22158/ape.v6n4p8>

Agarwal, Ritu, **Gender equality in China: An Unfinished Political Agenda,**
December 28, 2023
<https://orcasia.org/article/541/gender-equality-in-china>

Agarwal Ritu and Govind Kelkar, 'Gender Impact of China's Engagement in
the Global South' by **Development Alternatives with Women for a New Era (**

DAWN), 2023-24, FEBRUARY 2024 ISSN 2413-1512 (Forthcoming Bloomsbury Press: 2025)

<https://www.dawnfeminist.org/projects/gender-impact-of-chinas-engagement-in-the-global-south>

Published and translated in English, French, Spanish, and Chinese languages

Agarwal, Ritu, **Globalization Through Economic Gateways: Opening up of Yunnan Towards Asian Neighbours**, *US-China Foreign Language*, July 2024, Vol. 22, No. 7, 385-394 doi:10.17265/1539-8080/2024.07.002 ISSN: 1539-8080(Print) 1935-9667(Online)

Agarwal, Ritu with Govind Kelkar **Inequalities Persist: Policies and Social Constructs in Women's Land Rights** in *Challenges for Chinese Women in the Early Twenty-First Century*, ed. Gordana Malesevic (Forthcoming, World Scientific Press, 2025)

Agarwal, Ritu with Govind Kelkar **The Gender Dynamics in Soft Power of Developing Economies in Asia**. Area Development and Policy (Accepted and Forthcoming)

Agarwal, Ritu, **Interview on Yunnan as a Regional Model**, published in *Chinese Views of Non-Traditional Security*, Vol.1, No4, April 2021, Published by Intellisla Institute and Saint-Pierre Center for International Security Guangzhou, China

Agarwal, Ritu **COVID-19 AND Blurred Boundaries of Women's work in Wuhan**, Delhi Post News, published by Institute of Poverty and Governance, New Delhi, December 30, 2020, <https://delhipostnews.com/covid-19-and-blurred-boundaries-of-women>

Agarwal, Ritu, **ASEAN and India's Act East Policy**, ASEAN-India: Celebrating 30 years of partnership, in Diplomacy & Beyond Plus: A Journal of Foreign Policy and National Affairs, 10 January 2023. ISSN: 2581 8929

Agarwal, Ritu, **Agrarian Reforms and Development Models in China: An Analysis** Agricultural World, Vol 5, March 3, 2019 ISSN 2455-8184

Agarwal, Ritu, **Feminization of Agriculture in China**, Agricultural World, Vol.5, No.4, April 2019 ISSN 2455-8184

Agarwal , Ritu, **“Xi Jinping and the Reinvention of the CPC”**, China at a Turning Point: Perspectives after the 19th Party Congress , Ed. Manoranjan Mohanty, New Delhi: Pentagon Press, 2019 : 35-43 ISBN- 978-93-5002-554-3

Agarwal, Ritu, **‘Ethnic Minorities, Integrative Nationalism and Higher Education in Yunnan Province’**, Higher Education in India and China Ed. Sreemati Chakrabarti, New Delhi, Aakar Books, 2018:161-179 ISBN- 978-93-86618-63-4

Agarwal, Ritu, **“Yunnan and the New Regional Economic Model”**, Paper collections for the 3rd China-South-Asian Think Tank Forum in ‘Southeast Asian and South Asian Studies , published by Yunnan Academy of Social Sciences, Kunming 2016, China (Published in both Chinese and English)ISSN 1674-6392

Agarwal. Ritu, **‘India-Myanmar Relations: Historical Connections and Cultural Linkages’**, Diplomatist, Vol.5, Issue 1, January, 2017 ISSN 2349 557X

Agarwal, Ritu, **‘World Economic Forum- Davos’**, Diplomatist, Vol.5, Issue 2, February, 2017.ISSN 2349 557X

Agarwal, Ritu, **“Foreign Investment in India: An Analysis of Modi government’s New Economic Policies, Sectors and Investment Opportunities in India”**, in Capital Co-operation and South Asian Opportunities: Maritime Silk Road Financial Co-operation Development Report (2015), eds Xu Dilong , Ren Zhihong, Published by Guangdong Maritime Silk Road Research Institute, Guangdong Academy of Social Sciences, China , January 2016.

Agarwal , Ritu **“Towards Rule of Law: Legal Reforms in China”**, ‘China’s Transition under Xi Jinping’, China Year Book IDSA , ed, Jagannath P. Panda, Pentagon Press, Delhi, 2016 ISBN-978-81-8274-907-8

Agarwal, Ritu **“India and Taiwan : Two Democracies and Two Governing Systems: A View from India”**, India-Taiwan Relations in Asia and Beyond ed. Jagannath P. Panda, IDSA, Pentagon Press, Delhi, 2016 ISBN- 978-81-8274-904-7

Agarwal, Ritu, “**Women Farmers in China’s Commercial Agrarian Economy**”, Economic and Political Weekly, Vol.42, No.42, October 2007.

Agarwal, Ritu “ **Retrenched Female Labour in Contemporary China**” China Report (Sage Publications) Vol. 35, No.4 1999

Agarwal, Ritu “ **Marriage Law Revised in China : A Comment**” China Report, Vol. 38, No,4, 2002

Visiting Scholar

Visiting Professor, School of International Studies, Yunnan University, Kunming, May-June, 2018

Visiting Professor, South Asian Languages and Yoga Centre, Yunnan Minzu University, Kunming, May-June, 2017

Visiting Fellow, Jinan university, Guangzhou, China , May-June 2010

Visiting scholar, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Beijing, China, December 2007

Organized Conferences

Organized Two Days International Conference on ‘Economic Development and Social Change in Yunnan, China’, JNU September 2018

Organized a one-Day Conference on Beijing Plus Ten: A Review, in Collaboration with Women’s Studies and Development Centre, University of Delhi and the Institute of Social Sciences, February 2005

Participation in International Seminars/ Conferences/Workshops

Presented a paper on **Rural Development to Tackle the Demographic Crisis: A Provincial Lens** in Global Conference on New Sinology, by the Organization for Research on China and Asia, 25 and 26th September 2023, New Delhi

Presented a Paper on **Beyond the Popular Narratives: Study of Provincial China**, in a panel discussion on the 'Future of Chinese Studies in India', 26th September 2023, New Delhi

Presented a paper on '**Poverty Alleviation and Agro-industries in Yunnan, China** in a special panel on Social Inequality and Poverty Alleviation in China and India, in 3rd International Conference on Discourse, Global Governance and Social Development , School of Foreign Languages, Shanghai University, Shanghai, China, September, 23-25, 2022

Presented a paper on **Agro-Business and Peasant Differentiation in China: A case study of Dounan Flower market, Chenggong County, Yunnan Province, China** in a panel on Subnational/Local governance in China in the 1st Conference on China's Domestic Governance, Organized by ICS-CPR, 9th September, 2022.

presented a paper on '**Sustainable development and the need for Regional partnership: View from India**', China-Indian Ocean Rim Think Tank Forum on Sharing Opportunities through Regional Common Development, Kunming, Yunnan, 20 November, 2022

Presented a paper(online) on **Border Regions: Gateways of Economic and Cultural Partnership, at 12th Southwest Forum & 2021 Annual Conference of Branch for Belt and Road Initiative** titled Achievements, Experiences and Prospects of the 30th Anniversary of China-ASEAN Dialogue Relations, organized by Yunnan University. Kunming, China on October 28-29, 2021

Online faculty discussion on Readers' Feedback on Mao's Works, Beijing Foreign Studies University, 27th October, 2021

Presented a paper on **COVID-19 Crisis and response from India**, International Conference (Online) on How to build a common destiny of health partnership between India and China: Yunnan Dialogue, Yunnan Academy of Social Sciences , Kunming, Yunnan, China, 20th October, 2020

Presented a paper on '**Yunnan-India Connections**' in China-South and South East Asia Think Tank Forum, Kunming, Yunnan, June 14 -15, 2018

Presented a Paper on '**Vocational Education and Poverty Alleviation in Yunnan Province**, Vocational Education in India and China : Sharing

Experiences, organized by Institute of Chinese Studies and India International Centre, New Delhi, 23-24 January, 2019

Presented a Paper on '**Yunnan- India Co-operation**', Fifth China- South and Southeast Asia Think Tank Forum, Kunming, Yunnan, June 12-13, 2017,

Presented a Paper on '**Foreign Investment in India: Legal problems and Counter-measures**', in the 2nd Symposium on China-South Asia, Southeast Asia Commercial Legal Co-operation, Yunnan, June 6, 2017

Presented a Paper on **Chai Xian She Qu” Demolish the County and Construct the District : The Making of Landless peasants in Chenggong County, Yunnan Province, China**, in an International Conference on 'Agrarian Situation and Recent Rural Policies in India and China', Hyderabad 16-17 September, 2016

Presented a Paper on **From rural county to urban district': A local governance model in Chenggong county, Yunnan province, China**, in an International Conference on 'Deliberative Democracy: Institutions, Law and People, organized by O.P. Jindal Global University, 24th -25th October, 2016

Presented a Paper on, **Yunnan and New Regional Model**, in an International Conference on “ 3rd China-South Asian Think-Tank Forum” Kunming, China, June 13, 2015

Presented a Paper on **Bangladesh-China-India- Myanmar (BCIM)** in a seminar on “ Folk Exchanges among BCIM Countries”, Organized by Institute for South Asian Studies, Kunming, China, June 14, 2015.

Presented a Paper on **BCIM Economic Corridor: A View from India**, in an International Conference on “BCIM Economic Corridor”, Organized by Guangdong Institute for Indo-Pacific Peace and Development Studies, Guangzhou, China, Jan. 4-11, 2016

Participation in National Seminars/ lectures/Talks/ Workshops

Delivered a talk on the Research Methodology titled **Communist Party of China: Provinces, Culture, and Society** at the Centre for Contemporary China Studies, Ministry of External Affairs, 14th September 2023

Presented a paper titled '**Administrative Restructuring, Land Conversion and Flexible Livelihood in Yunnan.**' the 16th All India Conference of China Studies (AICCS) organized by the Institute of Chinese Studies and Council for Social Development, University of Hyderabad, 16-18 November 2023.

Panel discussion on '**China Chronicles: Economic uncertainty over the People's Republic of China**'. ORF Conference Hall August 7, 2023, Delhi

Delivered a Lecture on '**Disappearing Countryside? Questions of land and Peasantry in Rural China**,' Centre for Chinese and Southeast Asian Studies, School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, 23 November 2022.

Delivered Two lectures on '**Chinese Politics and Social Transformation**' as part of the Ministry of Defense China Officers' Orientation Course, organized by the Centre for East Asian Studies (CEAS), SIS, JNU on 14 March 2023

Spoke on '**County Administration in China**,' in a seminar on China's Domestic Governance: County Administration, Cadres and their roles, Science and Technology, Leading Small Groups, organized by the institute of Chinese Studies, Delhi on Wednesday 19th May, 2021

Presented a paper titled '**Border Opening Up in China: Two Tales from Yunnan**' in an International Conference on the Importance of Chinese Studies in the contemporary world, Organized by Jamia Milia Islamia University, New Delhi 13-14th October, 2020

Lecture on '**Coronavirus Pandemic and Women's Lives in Wuhan**', Impact Policy Research Institute, Delhi Post News and Gender Dev. Centre for Research and Innovation, 17th December, 2020

Gave a talk on '**Poverty Alleviation and Local Government in Yunnan**,' Institute of Chinese Delhi, February 2, 2022

Gave a lecture on '**Provincial Development in China**,' at the Department of East Asian Studies, University of Delhi, 21st February, 2022

Panelist in a session on '**Field work in China**,' in residential workshop on Research Methodology in Chinese Studies, organized by ICS and Shiv Nadar University, 21st July, 2019

Presented a Paper, '**Doing Field Work in China**', 11th All India Conference of China Studies, Bengaluru, November 15-17, 2018

Presented a Paper, '**Law and Governance under Xi Jinping**', Department of East Asian Studies, University of Delhi, Delhi, February 14-15, 2018

Presented a Paper on '**BRI : Building new Connections with South Asia and Southeast Asia**', workshop on China's Belt and Road Initiative: Implications for India and the Neighbourhood, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi, October 9, 2018

Delivered a talk on '**Party and Prosperity Dreams in Rural China: Poverty Alleviation Campaigns in Yunnan**', Institute of Chinese Studies, September 13, 2018

Delivered lectures on '**Society and State**' and "**Social Organization and Stratification**" in faculty training workshop on '**Teaching about China in India**', January 5-15, 2018, Christ University, Bangalore.

Presented a Paper on '**Cadre Selection and Political Leadership in China**', 19th CPC: An Assessment, October 30, 2017, University of Delhi

Presented a Paper on, '**China's Rule of Law**', joint Workshop on United Nations and East Asia, Centre for East Asian Studies, School of International Studies, JNU, April 26, 2017

Delivered a talk on '**When a Rural County becomes an Urban District**', A study of local government and Rural Urbanization in Yunnan Province, Institute of Chinese Studies, Delhi, 3rd May, 2017

Presented a paper on '**Yunnan as Economic Gateways : Historical Connections and Asian Linkages**', in a National Conference on 'Regional Diplomacy and Institutional Co-operation: China and its Neighbours', Jamia Millia Islamia, China Studies Programme, Academy of International Studies, March 2-3, 2016

Panelist on '**One Belt One Road**', at Jamia Millia Islamia, Organised by China Studies Programme, Academy of International Studies, Delhi, November 16, 2015.

Presented paper on 'Guangdong' at University of Delhi in a Conference organized by IPCS in collaboration with Department of East Asian Studies and Centre for East Asian Studies, JNU, March 2013

Presented Paper on '**Society in Contemporary China**', at 6th All India Conference of China studies, Organized by Institute of Chinese Studies, Delhi and IIM Kozhikode, IIM Kozhikode, 12-14 December 2013.

Delivered Lectures on **Approaches to Understand Chinese politics** for the participants of the Second Winter School in Humanities (Foreign Languages), Academy Staff College, JNU, Jan 4, 2014.

Delivered lecture on **Role of State in China's Economic Transformation**, 3rd Refresher Course in Global Studies, February, Organized by academic Staff College, JNU

Presented a paper on **Rural Economy and Gender** in a Symposium on the "Seventeenth Party Congress of China", organized by IIC-ICS, IIC, November, 2007.

Presented a paper on **Women's Political Participation in Local Institutions in Chenggong, Yunnan**, International Conference on 'Local Governance and Public Policy: An India-China Interaction', Department of East Asian Studies, University of Delhi, October, 2007

Delivered a talk on **Women Entrepreneurship in Yunnan: Some Field Observations** Institute of Chinese Studies, Centre for the Study of Developing Societies (CSDS) Delhi, March 2006.

Presented a paper on **Addressing Gender Inequalities Through Chinese Law: Some Observations** ICS Comparative Development Studies Seminar. Series 4 'Reforms and Democratization in India and China; Challenges of Governance in the Context of Globalization', CSDS Conference Hall - Delhi 4-5 August 2006

Delivered a talk on **Beijing Plus Ten : A View from China**, Institute of Chinese Studies, Centre for the Study of Developing Societies (CSDS) Delhi, October 2005

Presented a paper on **Women, Law and Property Rights in Rural China** Workshop on 'Women and Family Law in East Asia and India', Institute of Chinese Studies, Centre for the Study of Developing Societies (CSDS) Delhi, November 2004

Presented a paper on **Women's Leadership and Local Institutions in Yunnan, China**, International Conference on 'Local Governance in Rural India and China', Kolkata, January 5- 7 2003

Presented a paper on **Gender and Migration in Naxi Village in Yunnan, China** International Conference on 'Women and Migration in Asia's, India International Centre, New Delhi, 10 – 13 December 2003

Discussant

Invited to participate in the International Conference on **Food Security, Rural Livelihood and Sustainable Development**", Organized by the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) & National Science and Technology Council (NSTC), Taipei, IIC, 11th-12th December 2023

Discussant for **Thematic Panel: Chinese State: Political Representation and Social Responses**, at the 16th All India Conference of China Studies (AICCS) organized by the Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi and Council for Social Development, University of Hyderabad, 16-18 November 2023.

Discussant for the panel on 'State-Society Dynamics & People-to-People Interaction', National Conference on *Honouring the Past, Celebrating the Present and Envisioning the Future*, a part of the Golden Jubilee Celebration (2023-24) of the Centre for Chinese and Southeast Asian Studies on 19-20 January 2024, JNU, New Delhi

Discussant on Special talk on Chinas Emergence as a Tech power, organized by IMPRI, Impact and Policy Research Institute, June2, 2021

Panelist on Inclusive Development , Workshop on Fifth plenum of CPC'S 19TH CC, Institute of Chinese Studies, Delhi , 21st November 2020

Discussant for a talk on Migrant workers and Childcare in Thailand and Myanmar by Prof. Kyoko Kusakabe, AIT Thailand, Impact Policy Research Institute, Delhi Post News and Gender Dev. Centre for Research and Innovation, 20th January 2021

Discussant for a panel on Cultural diversity and Identity formation at 14th All India Conference of China Studies from 11-13 November 2021 organized in collaboration with Cheena Bhavana, Visva-Bharati University and the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung (KAS) 11 November , 2022

Discussant on Dissent and Protest in Annual V.P. Dutt Young Scholars' Conference titled "100 YEARS OF CHINESE COMMUNISM: IMPACT ON CHINA AND THE WORLD" Organized by Department of East Asian Studies, University of Delhi ,29-31 October 2021

Panelist on the launch of 'Hum Tum or Wo Truck' (Hindi Translation of Chinese Novelist Mo Yan's novel 'Change', Sahitya Academy, August 12, 2015

Discussant on 'China's Central Asia Reach in 2015: Opportunities and Challenges', in a Seminar on 'China in 2015-16 & Ahead', Organized by IDSA, Feb 5, 2016

Participated in Roundtable Discussion on 'Future of Chinese Studies in India', organized by Centre for Policy Research, Delhi and India-China Institute, New York, August 2013, New Delhi.

Discussant for the session on 'Migration, Peasants and the Environment', for a Conference titled 'Exploring New Rising Powers', at Committee Hall , Convention Centre, JNU, 21-22 Jan 2014

Panel Discussant for Prof. Prasenjit Duara's work on The Crisis of Global Modernity: Asian Traditions and a Sustainable Future , organized by ICS, Dec. 2014

Participated in a "Workshop on Visions, Individuals and Networks: India-China Connections, 1900-1960", 23-24 July 2012, ISEAS, NUS, Singapore.

Lectures Outside India

Invited to give lecture on 'Yunnan-India Connections', Department of International Relations, Yunnan University, June 8th, Kunming, Yunnan, 2018

Lecture on 'Yunnan-India Co-operation', Yunnan Minzu University, Kunming, 8th June, 2017

Lecture on 'Foreign Investment in India', Yunnan Minzu University, Kunming, 15th June, 2017

"Indian Perceptions about China", (in Chinese), Organized by Jinan University, Guangdong, China, June 2010

“The Present Condition of Indian Women” (in Chinese) Yunnan University ,
Kunming, China, September 2005

Beijing 2005, Tenth Anniversary Commemoration of the Fourth World
Conference on Women- Beijing, China 29, August – 1 September 2005

Book Reviews

China’s Economic Growth: Impact on Regions, Migration and the
Environment by Terry Cannon (ed) China Report, Vol. 37, No.3, 2001

Women of China: Economic and Social Transformation by Jackie West, Zhao
Minghua, Chang Xiangquan and Cheng Yuan (eds) China Report, Vol. 36,
No.2, 2000

Building Capacities by Ranjana K. Murthy, Seminar, June 2002

Research Projects/Awards / Scholarships

UGC Certificate for Eligibility of Lectureship in Political Science 1997

Chinese Government Scholarship 1997 – 98

Nehru Memorial Fellowship for Field Work in China 2002

Institute of Chinese Studies / Ford Foundation Grant for Conference and
Field Work in China 2005

Awarded One Month Fellowship to Visit China under ICSSR-CASS India-
China Cultural Exchange Programme in the year 2007

Media Appearance

Improving rural lives: Indian experts appreciate China's success
<https://www.chinadailyhk.com/article/255652#Improving-rural-lives:-Indian-experts-appreciate-China's-success>

Quoted in China Daily, January 12, 2022

Victory over poverty draws praise abroad

<https://www.chinadaily.com.cn/a/202201/18/WS61e621c3a310cdd39bc81b9e.html> Quoted in China Daily, January 22, 2022

印度学者：云南能为促进印中交往发挥重要作用<https://m.chinanews.com/wap/detail/chs/zw/9553886.shtml> , My Interview in China News Agency, published on 30th August, 2022

Opinion piece on Cheen ab garib mukt(hindi), Dainik Bhaskar, 14th March 2021

Guest Column,"Border Regions as Economic Gateways: Transnational Asian Connections between Yunnan and India, China-India Brief#96, June 28-July 11, 2017

BBC interview on Chinese President Xi Jinping's visit to Myanmar and its implications on India (Hindi) 18th January 2020
bbc.com/hindi/ India-5114768

Membership of Board, Organization outside JNU

Consultant in Economic Security, *Chinese Views of Non-Traditional Security*, Published by Intellisla Institute and Saint-Pierre Center for International Security Guangzhou , China

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