

**JESUS AND MARY COLLEGE
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY
UNIVERSITY OF DELHI**

National Conference on
“Sociological Engagements with the Contemporary”

Programme Schedule

April 6th, 2026

TIMINGS	DETAILS OF THE SESSION	VENUE
10:00 AM- 12:15 PM	INAUGURAL SESSION	Thevenet Hall
12:15 PM- 1:15 PM	LUNCH BREAK	
1:15 PM- 3:00 PM	<p style="text-align: center;">PANEL 1: GENDERED LIVES AND EVERYDAY NEGOTIATIONS</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Mahima Varma, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi</p> <p>Discussant: Dr. Urmi Bhattacharyya, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Sri Venkateswara College, University of Delhi</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. BALANCING CARE AND CAREER: Examining the Effects of Maternity Leave on Women’s Job Security in the Corporate Sector (Co-Authored) – Aashi Goel, Aleena Sunny, Ann Jessica Massey <i>Jesus And Mary College, University of Delhi</i> 2. GENDER PERFORMANCE AND FAMILY LIFE AMONG KERALA MIGRANT HOUSEHOLDS IN LONDON: The Case of Female Breadwinning – Juvanit Mariya Jayan <i>Lakshmibai College, University of Delhi</i> 	Room L1

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| | <ol style="list-style-type: none">3. THE NORMALISATION OF STARING: A Sociological Examination of Experiences of Staring through the Lens of Disability and Gender among the Students of North Campus, University of Delhi.
– Charu Vatwani
<i>Miranda House, University of Delhi</i>4. NON-KIN SUPPORT NETWORKS OF WOMEN FROM PUNJABI HOUSEHOLDS IN DELHI: The Tailoring Boutique as an Avenue of Women’s Interaction
– Gauri Sandhu
<i>Jesus And Mary College, University of Delhi</i>5. GENDERED JUDGEMENT OF CRIMINALITY: Courtroom Theatricality and Stigmatisation of Female Defendants and their kin in Delhi
– Mohona Dutta Purkayastha
<i>Kamala Nehru College, University of Delhi</i>6. MENSTRUAL HYGIENE MANAGEMENT IN DELHI UNIVERSITY: A Step Towards Overcoming the Taboos and Challenges
– Aakriti Mishra
<i>Daulat Ram College, University of Delhi</i>7. Tracing Women’s Agency Through Adoption Practices in Matrilineal Royal Household in Medieval Kerala
– Arushi Nair
<i>Lady Shri Ram College for Women, University of Delhi</i>8. ONE GHAT, MANY CASTES: Women’s Ritual Agency in Chhath Puja— A Case Study of Baijani Village in Bihar
– Pragya Pandey
<i>Kamala Nehru College, University of Delhi</i>9. MARRIAGE: A Corrupt Setup Made to Benefit Men— Principles of a Patriarchal Marriage
– Shubhanjali
<i>Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi</i> | |
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1:15 PM- 3:00 PM	<p data-bbox="443 282 1171 315">PANEL 2: CULTURE, IDENTITY AND PRACTICE</p> <p data-bbox="443 367 1307 443">Chair: Dr. Nivedita Ghosh, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi</p> <p data-bbox="443 450 1307 566">Discussant: Dr. Nupurkant Nayak, Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy, Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi</p> <ol data-bbox="496 618 1294 2022" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="496 618 1294 779">1. Culinary Power Play and the Shaping of an Elite Identity in Colonial and Post-Colonial Bengal – Ritika Raha <i>Mount Carmel College</i> <li data-bbox="496 824 1294 985">2. ASSERTING LIMINAL INDIGENOUS IDENTITIES: Tippei and the body as a site of resistance – Nandini Das <i>Miranda House, University of Delhi</i> <li data-bbox="496 1030 1294 1191">3. BLURRING BORDERS: Migration, Displacement, and Material Identity in Beloved and Hajar Churashir Maa – Tauhida Hossain <i>St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Kolkata</i> <li data-bbox="496 1236 1294 1352">4. BROTHERHOOD IN INDIAN ARMED FORCES – Sumedha <i>Maitreyi College, University of Delhi</i> <li data-bbox="496 1397 1294 1559">5. Traditional Medicine and its Revivalism in Arunachal Pradesh – Nich Junia <i>Mount Carmel College (Autonomous)</i> <li data-bbox="496 1603 1294 1809">6. UNDERSTANDING CASTE AMONG INDIAN MUSLIMS: A Study of Pasmanda Mobilisation since the 1990s – Arza Zakir MP <i>Maitreyi College, University of Delhi</i> <li data-bbox="496 1854 1294 2022">7. MAPPING POWER IN STANDARDISED MEAL TIMING: Bodily Adaptations in North-East India – Lysandra Oinam <i>Mount Carmel College</i> 	Room L2

	<p>8. TLAWMNGAIHNA: An Ethnographic Study of Mizo Communal Ethics in the Age of Modernity and Globalisation – Miriam Zohmangaihi Ralte <i>Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi</i></p> <p>9. CHALLENGING THE LABELS: A Sociological Study of Gen Z Stereotypes and Identity Formation – Malvika Chowdhary <i>Kamala Nehru College, University of Delhi</i></p> <p>10. “THRIFTING” AS A LIFESTYLE CHOICE: Exploring Youth Culture in Delhi – Anaya Clifford <i>Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi</i></p>	
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1:15 PM- 3:00 PM	<p>PANEL 3: DIGITAL LIFE, AI AND EMERGING SUBJECTIVITIES</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Anuradha Sharma, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi Discussant: Dr. Aruna Grover, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Maitreyi College, University of Delhi</p> <p>1. AESTHETIC SPACES, DIGITAL SELVES: An Ethnography of “Instagrammable” Delhi – Aditi Gupta <i>Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi</i></p> <p>2. FROM TEMPLE WALLS TO DIGITAL WINDOWS: How Virtual Darshan Shapes Experience of the Divine – Toshi <i>Indraprastha College for Women</i></p> <p>3. INFLUENCE OF GENERATIVE AI DEPENDENCY ON MEMORY FUNCTION AND CRITICAL THINKING: A Cross-Sectional Comparison of Students and Working Adults – Kopal Rawat <i>Amity University</i></p>	Room L3

	<p>4. RECONSTRUCTING WOMEN’S SAFETY APPS: Designing an SOS Tracker Prototype with Community Sharing and Post-Incident Support – Alisha Shakeel <i>Institute of Home Economics, University of Delhi</i></p> <p>5. THE INFLUENCE OF AI-BASED COUNSELLING APPS ON YOUNG ADULTS: Mental Well-Being and Support-Seeking Behaviour – Ishani Jaiswal <i>Chitkara University</i></p> <p>6. PANOPTICON IN THE DIGITAL AGE: Perceived Surveillance and Self-Presentation among Gen Z Instagram Users – Aflaha <i>Aligarh Muslim University</i></p> <p>7. Understanding Student Experiences of AI Use and Navigating Plagiarism under the NEP Regime (Co-Authored) – Moubani Kundagrami, Huda Aslam and Khushi M. <i>Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi</i></p> <p>8. DATA PANOPTICON (Co-Authored) Vanshika Chopra and Shatakshi Saklani – <i>Jesus and Mary College and St. Stephen’s College, University of Delhi</i></p>	
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	<p>2. THE COMMODIFICATION OF SELF AND ATTENTION: A Study of the Digital Creator Economy – Tamanna Arora <i>Lakshmibai College, University of Delhi</i></p> <p>3. POWER, PRIVILEGE AND IDENTITY: Analyzing Anti-Reservation Discourses among Indian Youth in the Age of Social Media – Raniya N <i>Lakshmibai College, University of Delhi</i></p> <p>4. IMAGINING THE FUTURE: An Inquiry into the “Slow Cancellation of the Future” among Middle-Class Hindu Youth in Delhi NCR – Yuvika Bisla <i>Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi</i></p> <p>5. THE DUAL SCOURGE: A Sociological Analysis of Anthropogenic Neglect and the Erosion of Cultural Memory in Delhi’s Mughal Heritage – Snigdha Singh <i>Mata Sundri College for Women</i></p> <p>6. FROM MARGIN TO MAINSTREAM: Sociological Perspectives on Marginalised Women in Global Cinema – Louisa Josephine Minz <i>Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi</i></p> <p>7. CULTURAL IMPACTS AND VARIATIONS IN GLOBAL MARKETS – Navya Srivastava <i>Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi</i></p>	
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1:15 PM- 3:00 PM	<p>PANEL 5: EDUCATION AND SOCIAL FORMATIONS</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Amrita Sastry, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi Discussant: Dr. Pravati Dalua, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Kamala Nehru College, University of Delhi</p>	Thevenet Hall

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| | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. HIDDEN CURRICULUM IN NCERT LITERATURE TEXTBOOKS
– Sai Matekar
<i>English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad</i>2. A Sociological Study of Legal Literacy among Undergraduate Students in Delhi
– Deveshi Sanmotra
<i>Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi</i>3. BEYOND DISPLACEMENT: Education and Identity Reconstruction of Displaced Students from Manipur
– Nemthianching Vaiphei
<i>Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi</i>4. NEGOTIATING LANGUAGE AND BELONGING: Linguistic Barriers and the Experiences of Hindi-Medium Students in Contemporary Higher Education
– Palak
<i>Lakshmibai College, University of Delhi</i>5. STUDENT LIFE IN HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS: Academic Engagement, Challenges and Institutional Support Systems
– Aishwarya Singh
<i>Graphic Era Hill University, Dehradun, Uttarakhand</i>6. VOTER BEHAVIOUR, ROLE OF CASTE IN DUSU ELECTIONS (2023-2025): Comparative Analysis of Miranda House and Ramjas College
– Anushka Verma
<i>Miranda House, University of Delhi</i>7. PREDICTIVE PEDAGOGY: The Sociological Impact of AI Surveillance on Student Identity and Intellectual Freedom (Co-Authored)
– Nourin and Krishna Indu A
<i>Bharati College, University of Delhi</i>8. Help-Seeking Behaviour for Stress among College Students, and its Impact on their Psychological Well-being
– Vanshika Tyagi
<i>Lakshmibai College, University of Delhi</i> | |
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***IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**

- *Each participant will get 8 minutes for presentation.*