

Spring 2024: Geog 375: Society/Spaces of South Asia

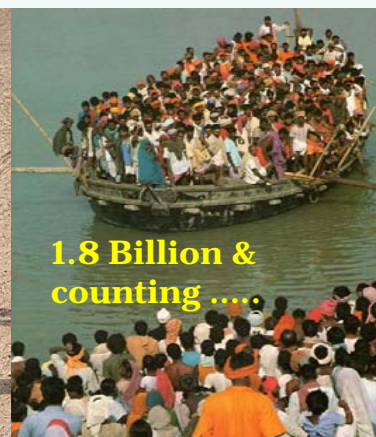
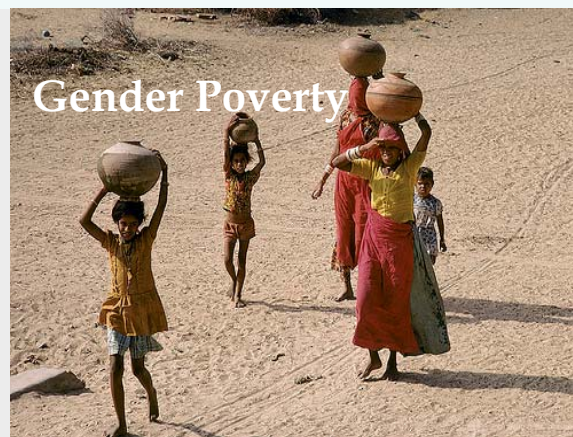
Dr. Madhuri Sharma: Tues/Thurs: 11:20am-12:35 pm, BGB 301 [in-person]

Thematic Focus on the following concerning South Asia:

- (i) Historical evolution and transition into a global economic player
- (ii) Population explosion, diaspora and labor migration
- (iii) Green revolution & Walmartization of South Asian economy
- (iv) Political economy of urbanization/poverty: Slums & politics
- (v) Inequality: Globalization, South Asian Economy
- (vi) Gender Inequalities and crime against women
- (vii) Geopolitics: India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka & China's dominance
- (viii) Bollywood meets Hollywood and cultural fusion
- (ix) Bollywood, Drug Mafia, War on Drugs and The Underworld
- (x) Complexity of caste, religion, gender violence
- (xi) The McDonalidization of Aloo-tikki & Pizza Huts in South Asia



Informal Economy
an integral part of
South Asian culture



Assignments/Weights

- Class lectures and attendance (10)
- Discussions (readings/movies) (20)
- Movie or Article critique (10)
- Map and Pop Quizzes (10)
- Midterm Exam (20)
- Final Exam (30)

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NO REQUIRED TEXT BOOK