

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

2023

[Coal Extraction, Dispossession and the 'Classes of Labour' in Coalfields of Eastern India](#). *The Journal of Peasant Studies (JPS)*. Vol 50, Issue 7, 2829-2850. Dec,2023.

2022

[Migrant Workers in the Coal Mines of India: Precarity, Resilience, and the Pandemic](#). Special Issue on Navigating Hyper Precarity: Im(mobilities) during the COVID pandemic in India edited by Priya Deshingkar. *Social Change*. Vol 52, Issue 2, 203-222. June, 2022.

[Understanding Metabolic Rift through Assemblage of Land and Intersectional Inequalities in India](#). (co-authored with Mijo Luke). *Economic & Political Weekly (EPW)*. Vol 57, Issue 18, p 1277-1297. May,2022.

2020

[Dispossessed Women's Work: The Case of Talcher Coalfields of Odisha](#). Review of Women's Studies, *Economic & Political Weekly (EPW)*. Vol 55 , Issue 20, p 37-43. May, 2020.

Commentary/Research Note/ Reviews

2023

[Intergenerational Labour and Just Transition in Coalfields](#). June, 2023. *The India Forum*.

[The intergenerational nature of coal economy](#). Republished, June, 2023. *India Development Review*.

2022

[Gasping for Air, Bathing in Coal: Informal Labour in India's Coalfields](#). Aug, 2022. *The India Forum*.

2021

Book Review of: ['Classes of Labour: Work and Life in an Indian Steel Town'](#), by Jonathan Parry. Routledge. 2020. *Global Labour Journal*, Vol. 12, Issue 2. May 2021.

Hindi Book Review of: ['Classes of Labour: Work and Life in an Indian Steel Town'](#), by Jonathan Parry. Routledge. 2020. *Global Labour Journal*, Vol. 12, Issue 2. May 2021.

2020

[Understanding Labour through the lens of Intersectionality: A Case of Mining Labour in Odisha](#). Research Note, *Orissa Economic Journal*. Vol 52, Issue 1. Dec 2020.

Book Chapter

2023

[Uneven and Combined Development and the Politics of Labour in an Eastern Indian Coalfield: Shifts and Changes from Late Colonialism to Neoliberalism](#). In *Industrial Labour in an Unequal World: Ethnographic Perspectives on Uneven and Combined Development* edited by Christian Strumpell and Michael Hoffmann. De Gruyter: Work in Global and Historical Perspectives (Vol 20). Oct, 2023.

2020

[Impact of Displacement on Social Life: A Case Study from Talcher Coalfields](#). In *Development, Environment and Migration: Lessons for Sustainability*, ed. S. I. Rajan, and D. Baral, p 134-154. Routledge. May, 2020.

Policy Briefs

2024

[Enabling the Energy Transition: Technology, politics & institutions in India's energy system](#) (co-authored with Ashwini K Swain, Sarada Prasanna Das, Catherine Ayallore, Navroz K Dubash). SFC Perspectives. *Sustainable Futures Collaborative, New Delhi*. March, 2024.

2023

[Gender and Just Transition: Envisioning a Gender-transformative Pathway to Energy Transition in India's Coal States](#) (co-authored with Ashwini K Swain). Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi. April, 2023.

POLICY ENGAGEMENTS

2024

Panel Discussant on 'How can we deliver a gender-inclusive climate transition in India?' at Online Event organized by Grantham Institute on Climate Change and the Environment, London School of Economics and Political Science, UK. 29 February 2024.

Speaker on Gender Transformative Pathway to Energy Transition in India's Coal States in the Session *Socially Inclusive Livelihood Transition* at International Conference on Sustainable Transition for Future-Ready Jharkhand: Global Perspectives and Learnings for Climate Resilient Growth, Ranchi, Jharkhand, India. 14-15 February 2024.

Panel Discussant on Thematic Track '*Moving beyond strategies: The gender factor in the dynamics of energy entrepreneurship*' at World Sustainable Development Summit (WSDS) 2024, hosted by The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI), Delhi. 8 February 2024.

2023

Panel Discussant of the Book '*The Role of Coal in a Sustainable Energy Mix for India: A Wide-Angle View*' at the Book Launch Event organized by Centre for Development and Environment Policy, IIM Calcutta (IIM-C) in collaboration with India International Centre (IIC), Delhi. 25 September 2023.

Participated in Report Release and Conference '*Decommissioning TPPs in India: Environmental, Social and Financial Aspects*' organized by International Forum for Environment, Sustainability and Technology (iFOREST). 21 September 2023.

Discussant at Roundtable on '*Socio-Economic Dependence on Thermal Power Plants And Planning For Just Transition In India*' organized by Council on Energy, Environment and Water (CEEW). 14 September 2023.

Discussant at Roundtable on '*Regulatory Reforms for Enabling a Just and Inclusive Transition of Fossil Fuel Workers*' organised by International Forum for Environment, Sustainability and Technology (iFOREST). 2 August 2023.

Participated in workshop on '*Managing Energy, Economic, and Environmental Transition*' organised by The Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) and the Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur (IIT-K). 27 July 2023.

Lead Speaker at Experts Roundtable on '*Gender-Just Transition: Establishing women as critical stakeholders*' organised by The Energy Resource Institute (TERI). 7 July 2023.

Participated in roundtable discussion on '*The Just Transition Imperative: Opportunities and Risks for India's Labour Market*' organised by The Just Jobs Network and the Poverty and Equity Global Practice of The World Bank. 12 May 2023.

Lead Discussant on 'Employment and Jobs' in Expert RoundTable and Working Group Meeting' for deliberations on '*Principles and Guidelines for Just and Inclusive Energy Transition*' organised by International Forum for Environment, Sustainability and Technology (iFOREST) as part of Global Just Transition Dialogue 2023. 25 March 2023.

2022

Participated in the International Workshop on '*India's energy transitions – social risks, challenges, and opportunities*' organised by the Centre for Social Responsibility in Mining, Sustainable Minerals Institute, The University of Queensland, Australia and hosted by the Just Transition Research Centre, IIT Kanpur. 16-17 November 2022.

MEDIA ENGAGEMENTS

[Financial Times](#) quoted Suravee Nayak in **India's dream of green energy runs into the reality of coal** on 25 September 2023.

[Mongabay](#) Interview on **Why Transformative Justice for Women and Dalits is Key For a Just Transition** on 24 Aug, 2023.

[Carbon Copy](#) Podcast on **Women in India's Energy Transition** in conversation with Professor Kuntala Lahiri-Dutt and Hridayesh Joshi on 29 July 2023.

[Down To Earth](#) quoted Suravee Nayak and Ashwini K Swain co-authored Policy Brief - **Gender and Just Transition in Odisha's coalfields are slated to transition from fossil fuel; here's how women can hope for a just energy transition** on 23 June 2023.

[The Washington Post](#) quoted Suravee Nayak in **In India, 'phase down' of coal actually means rapid expansion of mining.** on 26 Feb, 2023.

PAPER PRESENTATIONS IN SEMINAR/CONFERENCE/WORKSHOP/INVITED TALKS

2024

'Gender and Just Transition Discourse in India: Can Energy Transition Transform Women's Status and Role in Coal Economies?' at The Conference on Global Coal Transitions on organized by Ohio State University, USA. 17-19 July 2024. (Upcoming)

'Uneven Development, Energy Transition, and the (Re) Production of Precarious Coal Geographies in India' at 26th Annual Conference of Association for Heterodox Economics (AHE) 2024 (in Panel Titled *Imperialism, extractivism and uneven development: theoretical*

debates and empirical manifestations) organized by University of West England, Bristol, UK. 10-12 July 2024. (Upcoming)

'Energy Extractivism and the Crisis of Social Reproduction: The Everyday Hidden Labour(s) of Women and their Constrained Agency in Coal Geographies of India' at WUN Workshop on Gender, Climate Change and Activism organized by Department of Politics & International Relations, University of York, UK. 3-5 July 2024. (Upcoming)

2023

'Energy Transition, New Technology and Future of Work in India' at International Conference on New Technologies and the Future of Work in the Global South organised by Institute for Human Development; International Labor Organization & Southern Centre for Inequality Studies, WITS University in Collaboration with NITI Aayog, Government of India. 17-19 August 2023.

Delivered Talk titled *'Moving beyond formal-informal: Unpacking the Complexities of Labour for Just Transition in India's Coal Heartlands'* at University of East Anglia, UK organised by School of International Development, UEA (as part of DEV Seminar Series), UK, 15 June 2023.

Delivered Talk titled *'Moving beyond formal-informal: Unpacking the Complexities of Labour for Just Transition in India's Coal Heartlands'* at University of Sussex, UK jointly organised by Centre for Global Political Economy, the Sussex Sustainability Research Programme and the Sussex Energy Group, UK, 12 June 2023.

'The Production of Precarious Laboring Bodies; Coal, Land and Labour Regime in Coal Geographies of India' at Labour Regimes and Ecology Workshop organised by Centre on Labour, Sustainability and Global Production, Queen Mary University of London, UK. 6-8 June 2023.

'Moving beyond formal-informal: Unpacking the complexities of labour for just transition in India's Coal Heartlands' at International Conference on Justice in the transition away from coal: Planning for a Decarbonised India organised by Australian National University, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, IIIT Hyderabad and Council for Social Development Hyderabad, 11-12 Jan 2023.

2022

'Coal, Land and the Labour Regime in Extractive Economies of India' at Royal Geographical Society-Institute of British Geographers (RGS-IBG) Annual International Conference 2022

(Session on Ecology and Labour Regime) organized by University of New Castle, 27-30 August 2022.

'Assemblages of Land, Metabolic Rift and Climate Politics in Eastern and Southern India' (With Mijo Luke) at Journal of Peasant Studies (JPS) Climate Change and Agrarian Justice Online Conference organized by The Journal of Peasant Studies, PLAAS, University of Western Cape Town and CASAS, 26-29 September 2022.

'Agrarian Politics, Inequalities and Climate Change in Eastern and Southern India' (with Mijo Luke) at Dadabhai Naoroji Conference on Inequality 2022 organised by National Institute of Advanced Studies (NIAS), Bangalore, 20-22 June 2022.

'Living and Labouring on Coal: Assemblage and Changing Spatiality in Extractive Economies of India' at Shifting Landscapes PhD Conference organized by Department of Geography & Environment, London School of Economics & Political Science (LSE), UK, 16-17 June 2022.

'Shift Work, Labour Control and Resistance in Indian Coalfields: Reflections on Labour Process in Production of Space' at International Conference on Divergent Temporalities: Capitalism and Conquest of Space-Time organised by Panteion University, Athens, 26-28 May 2022.

'Entanglements in the Shaping of Climate Politics in Global South: Explorations from Eastern and Southern India' (with Mijo Luke) at 72nd Political Studies Association Annual International Conference organised by University of York, UK, 11-13 April 2022.

'Shift Work, Labour Control and Resistance in Indian Coalfields: Reflections on Labour Process' at 40th International Labour Process Conference (ILPC) 2022 organised by University of Padua, Italy, 21-23 April 2022.

'Intersectional Inequalities and the (Un)Making of Labour in Coal Mines of Eastern India' at Beyond Resistance Conference organised by Institute of Political Economy, Carleton University, Canada, 3-4 March 2022.

2021

'The Politics of Migrant Labour, Precarity and Resilience in the Coal Mines of India' at CASI Graduate Student Workshop organised by Centre for the Advanced Study of India (CASI), University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, USA, 29 October 2021. (Virtual)

'Land, Bargaining and the Negotiating Lives: A Case of Displacement in Talcher Coalfields of Odisha, India' at 26th European Conference on South Asian Studies (ECSAS) organised by University of Vienna, Austria, 26-29 July 2021. (Virtual)

'Actors and Variegated Responses in the Production of Carbon Economy: A Case of Talcher Coalfields in Eastern India' at International Conference of Development Studies Association (DSA) 2021 organised by University of East Anglia, UK, 28 June-2 July 2021. (Virtual)

'Changing Spatiality and the Emergence of Environmental Politics: Explorations from Global South' (with Mijo Luke) at Conference on Spatiality organised by Department of Humanities and social Sciences, IIT Madras, 9-11 April 2021. (Virtual)

'Fragmentation of Labour and Collective Action: The Production of Capitalist Space in the coalfields of Eastern India' at Workshop on Industrial Labour and Uneven Development organised by Universität Hamburg and Martin-Luther-Universität Halle Wittenberg, 24-26 March 2021. (Virtual)

'From Productive to Speculative: Changing Materiality of Land and Identity Formation in a coal bearing region of Eastern India' at Conference on Understanding Land: Configuring Spaces, Making Identities organized by Department of History, Shiv Nadar University, 29-31 January 2021. (Virtual)

2020

'Coal Mining induced Dispossession: An Enquiry into the 'Classes of Labour' in Talcher Coalfields of Odisha' at Journal of Peasant Studies 2020 Writeshop in Critical Agrarian Studies and Scholar-Activism, held virtually during July-November 2020 in five waves.

'Women's Miners or Miner's Wife or Coal Collectors- The Lives of Rural Dispossessed Women in Talcher Coalfields of Odisha' at Yale Modern South Asia Workshop organised by South Asian Studies Council and the Macmillan Centre, Yale University, New Haven, USA, 22-23 February 2020.

'The Question of Women's Work in Coal Mining Towns: A Case Study from Talcher Coalfields of Odisha' at XVI National Conference on Women's Studies organised by Indian Association for Women's Studies (IAWS), New Delhi, 28-31 January 2020.

2019

'Political Economy of Subcontracting in the Coal Industry: Evidence from the Talcher Coalfields of Odisha, India' at International Workshop – "Formalisation, Informalisation and the Labour Process: Comparative Perspectives" organised by Centre for Modern Indian Studies (CeMIS), University of Göttingen, Germany, 20-22 November 2019.

'Changing Lives of Rural Women in Coal Bearing Tracts: Narratives from Talcher, Odisha' at Vina Mazumdar Memorial Fund Research Scholars' Workshop "Researching Rural India: Contemporary Challenges to Contextualising Women's Lives" jointly organised by Vina Mazumdar Memorial Fund (VMMF) and Centre for Women's Development Studies (CWDS), New Delhi, 18-19 September 2019.

'Labour Process in Public Sector Coal Mines : Insights from Talcher Coalfields of Odisha' at 3rd Sussex Asia Centre PhD Workshop at the School of Global Studies, University of Sussex, UK, 7 March 2019.

Co-panellist on *'Mining affected communities from Odisha to Zambia : politicised pollution, land-grab, mine-workers in disputes'* in a seminar organised by Centre for World Environmental History (CWEH), University of Sussex, UK, 1 March 2019.

2018

Participated in Research Methods Workshop on 'Challenges in Field Research' organised by University of Guelph, Canada and Gujarat Institute of Development Research (GIDR) at GIDR, Ahmedabad, Gujarat, India, 26-27 February 2018.

2017

Participated in workshop on 'Forced Population Displacements and the Making of the Modern World' at Brown International Advanced Research Institutes (BIARI), Brown University, USA, 3-17 June 2017.

Participated in Research Methods Workshop on 'Mainstream and the Margins: Theory, Practice and Methods' at Centre for Study Developing Societies (CSDS), New Delhi, India, 15-25 March 2017.

'Nation Building, Dispossession and its Impact on Social Life: A Case Study from Talcher Coalfield' presented at School of Media and Cultural Studies, at Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), Mumbai, India, 14-15 January 2017.

2016

'Impact of Displacement on Land and Labour: A Case Study from Talcher Coalfield' presented at International Conference on Development Induced Displacement And Migration, Land Acquisition and Resettlement at Centre for Development Studies, Trivandrum, Kerala, India, 3-4 March 2016.

Peer-Reviewed for: *Global Labour Journal (GLJ)*, *The Journal of Peasant Studies(JPS)*,
Industrial Relations Journal (IRJ), *Journal of South Asian Development (JSAD)*