



# Department of English Jamia Millia Islamia

**THIRD YOUNG RESEARCHER'S  
CONFERENCE (ONLINE)**

on

**TRAUMA AND MEMORY STUDIES  
RESPONSES FROM  
THE GLOBAL SOUTH**

**19-21st January, 2024**

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# TRAUMA AND MEMORY STUDIES: RESPONSES FROM THE GLOBAL SOUTH

## CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

19th - 21st JANUARY, 2024

### DAY ONE

FRIDAY, 19th JANUARY, 2024

#### INAUGURAL : 1:30 PM - 2:00 PM

1:30 PM - 1:35 PM - Welcome Address, **Prof. Simi Malhotra**, Head, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

1:35 PM - 1:45 PM - Introduction to the Conference, **Sheikh Sana Assad**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

1:45 PM - 2:00 PM - Inaugural Address, **Prof. M. Asadduddin**, Professor, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

#### SESSION 1 : 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

##### SPECIAL KEYNOTE

**Chair:** **Farhana Tasnim**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia; **Prof. Simi Malhotra**, Head, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM - **Prof. Roger Luckhurst**, Geoffrey Tillotson Chair of Nineteenth Century Studies, Birkbeck, University of London

**“Questions for the Floor: Delinking Coloniality and Trauma”** (45+15-Q/A)

**Moderator:** **Somya Charan Pahadi**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**Rapporteur:** **Saima Malik**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**3:00 PM - 3:10 PM - Tea Break**

## SESSION 2 : 3:10 PM - 4:25 PM

### Anthropogenic Catastrophes: Spectres of Trauma/Memory

**Chair: Suman Bhagchandani**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**1. Revathy Krishnan**, PhD Scholar, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, Indian Institute of Technology, Madras

**“Witnessing, Trauma and Private Memories of Public Terror: Reading Selected Witness Narratives of the 26/11 Mumbai Attacks”** (20+5-Q/A)

**2. Meghal Karki**, PhD Scholar, School of Letters, Ambedkar University

**“Towards an Aesthetics and Atmosphere of Remembrance: Memorializing the Trauma of Jallianwala Bagh”** (20+5-Q/A)

**3. Dr Justyna Kurowska**, Assistant Professor, Würzburg University, Germany

**“Secondary Trauma, Famine, and the Hindi Literati – Hindi Narrative of the Bengal Famine in *Hams* Literary Magazine”** (20+5-Q/A)

**Moderator: Asmita Pandey**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**Rapporteur: Ananya Bora**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**4:25 PM - 4:35 PM - Tea Break**

## SESSION 3 : 4:35 PM - 5:50 PM

### Displaced Voices: Ritual Performances and Memorialization In Exile

**Chair: Grace Mariam Raju**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**1. Pratishtha Pandey**, PhD Scholar, Indian Institute of Technology, Madras

**“Storytelling as Protest: Counter-narratives from Kenya in Yvonne Adhiambo Uwuor’s *Dust*”** (20+5-Q/A)

**2. Lakshmi P**, PhD Scholar, Christ University, Delhi NCR

**“This is my Story: Role of Tibet Museum in Preserving Memory in Exile” (20+5-Q/A)**

**3. Saumya Tripathi**, PhD Scholar, School of Arts and Aesthetics, Jawaharlal Nehru University

**“Muharram in Kashmir: Historical Trauma, Performance and Resistance” (20+5-Q/A)**

**Moderator: Sudipta Agarwal**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**Rapporteur: Poulomi Chandra**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**5:50 PM - 6:00 PM - Tea Break**

**SESSION 4 : 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM**

**SPECIAL KEYNOTE**

**Chair: Somya Charan Pahadi**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia;

**Prof. Simi Malhotra**, Head, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM - **Prof. Stef Craps**, Professor of English Literature, Ghent University, Belgium; Director, Cultural Memory Studies Initiative

**“From the Shadows to the Spotlight: Global South Perspectives on Trauma and Memory” (45+15-Q/A)**

**Moderator: Sheikh Sana Assad**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**Rapporteur: Ritika**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**DAY TWO**

**SATURDAY, 20th JANUARY, 2024**

**SESSION 5 : 12:00 PM - 1:15 PM**

**Transnational Trajectories: Cataclysmic Hauntings and Mnemonic Complexity in War Narratives**

**Chair: Jubi C. John**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**1. Huzaifa Pandit**, Assistant Professor, Government Degree College, Pampore, University of Kashmir

**“Maps of Coffee: Diasporas of Trauma in Selected Poems of Mahmoud Darwish”**  
(20+5-Q/A)

**2. Sheikh Sana Assad**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**“Harmonies of Subversion: Exploring Kashmiri Songs as Sonic Archives”** (20+5-Q/A)

**3. Sangjukta Roy**, PhD Scholar, Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee and **Dr Binod Mishra**, Professor, Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee

**“Remembering and Forgetting War Memory in Nayomi Munaweera’s *Island of a Thousand Mirrors*”** (20+5-Q/A)

**Moderator: Mohammad Aqib**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**Rapporteur: Reshma Gupta**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**1:15 PM - 2:15 PM - Lunch Break**

**SESSION 6 : 2:15 PM - 3:15 PM**

**SPECIAL KEYNOTE**

**Chair: Sheikh Sana Assad**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia; **Prof. Simi Malhotra**, Head, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

2:15 PM - 3:15 PM - **Dr. Michela Borzaga**, Assistant Professor, Utrecht University, Netherlands

**“Towards Afropolitan Futures: Re-reading Trauma and Repairing Time in two Apartheid ‘World Novels’”** (45+15-Q/A)

**Moderator: Dr Sango Bidani**, Guest Faculty, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**Rapporteur: Tarika**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**3:15 PM - 3:25 PM - Tea Break**

### **SESSION 7 : 3:25 PM - 4:40 PM**

#### **Frames in Flux: Whirling Memories and Cinematic Tales of Trauma**

**Chair: Zahra Rizvi**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**1. Natasha Negi**, PhD Scholar, Humanities and Social Sciences, Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, Bhopal

**“Understanding Intersections of Caste, Gender and Migration in Uttarakhand through Cinematic Representations of Trauma and Memory”** (20+5-Q/A)

**2. Sania Muzamil**, MPhil Scholar, University of Delhi

**“War and Memory: Remembering Women’s Bodies in War through a Reading of Brian De Palma’s *Casualties of War*”** (20+5-Q/A)

**3. Farsanah Moossa Kappil**, PhD Scholar, Pookoya Thangal Memorial Government College, Kerala

**“Unveiling Alterity: Exploring the Palestinian and Israeli Multifaceted Memories, Identities and Geopolitics through Select Children’s Films”** (20+5-Q/A)

**Moderator: Steven S. George**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**Rapporteur: Sameyah Roomi**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**4:40 PM - 4:50 PM - Tea Break**

**SESSION 8 : 4:50 PM - 5:50 PM**

**SPECIAL KEYNOTE**

**Chair: Farhana Tasnim**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia; **Prof. Simi Malhotra**, Head, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

4:50 PM - 5:50 PM - **Dr. Sam Durrant**, Associate Professor, Postcolonial Literature and Critical Theory, University of Leeds

**“Whose Memory is it Anyway? Animism, Literature and The Disenclosure of Memory/Trauma Studies” (45+15-Q/A)**

**Moderator: Dr Sango Bidani**, Guest Faculty, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**Rapporteur: Zainab Abrar**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

## DAY THREE

SUNDAY, 21st JANUARY, 2024

### SESSION 9 : 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM

#### **Spatiality and Suffering: Testimonial Imprints from Urbanscapes**

**Chair: Dr Anab Naiyer**, Independent Researcher

**1. Valentina Barnabei**, PhD Scholar, Department of Asian and North African Studies, Ca' Foscari University of Venice; South Asian Institute, Heidelberg University

**“From Delhi with (Co)creativity: Literary Texts as Material Evidence of Urban Memories and Experiences”** (20+5-Q/A)

**2. Aditi Bhardwaj**, Independent Researcher

**“Telling the Untold: Persevering Memories and Quiet Amnesias of the Partition”**  
(20+5-Q/A)

**3. Rinki Debnath**, PhD Scholar, Presidency University

**“Climate Change and the Experiences of the Marginalized South Pacific Islanders: Tales of Fear, Suffering and Resistance in Literature”** (20+5-Q/A)

**Moderator: Vasundhara Gautam**, Assistant Professor, Indraprastha College for Women, University of Delhi

**Rapporteur: Mamta Sharma**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**11:45 AM - 12:00 PM : Tea Break**

### SESSION 10 : 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

#### **Disenfranchised Discourses: Resurgence of Feminist Accounts**

**Chair: Gulbahar Shah**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia



**1. Rohit Prasad**, PhD Scholar, Jadavpur University

**“Hand-Crafted Memories: Re-remembering Voices from Shaheen Bagh and Bhopal Gas Disaster through Avant-garde Feminist Media”** (20+5-Q/A)

**2. Jerin Jacob**, PhD Scholar, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai

**“Revisioning Biblical Women: Retelling Memory in Jeet Thayil’s *Names of the Women*”**  
(20+5-Q/A)

**Moderator: Noorussabah**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**Rapporteur: Ritika**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**1:00 PM - 2:30 PM - Lunch Break**

**SESSION 11 : 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM**

**SPECIAL KEYNOTE**

**Chair: Dr Sango Bidani**, Guest Faculty, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia; **Prof. Simi Malhotra**, Head, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

2:30 PM - 3:30 PM - **Prof. Nadia Butt**, Professor of Global Anglophone Literatures and Cultures, University of Frankfurt

**“Transgenerational Trauma: The Entanglement of Family Memories in 21st Century Diasporic Women’s Literatures”** (45+15-Q/A)

**Moderator: Farhana Tasnim**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**Rapporteur: Arghya Dey**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**3:30 PM - 3:40 PM - Tea Break**

**SESSION 12 : 3:40 PM - 4:55 PM**

**Ink, Insight and Impact: Unveiling Resilience in Contemporary Life Writings**

**Chair:** Ann Susan Aleyas, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**1. Anwasha Adhikary**, PhD Scholar, Banaras Hindu University

**“Body Trauma: Cancer Autobiographies and Identity Reconstruction”** (20+5-Q/A)

**2. Chandreyee Ghosh**, PhD Scholar, University of Kalyani

**“Repression, Resistance and After: A Study of Select Prison Memoirs of the Naxalite Movement”** (20+5-Q/A)

**3. Durba Mandal**, PhD Scholar, Center for English Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University

**“Articulating Humiliation: Trauma and Acousmatic Agency in Selected Life Writings of Harishankar Jaladas”** (20+5-Q/A)

**Moderator:** Aditi Das Khan, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**Rapporteur:** Reshma Gupta, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**4:55 PM - 5:05 PM - Tea Break**

## **SESSION 13 : 5:05 PM - 6:05 PM**

### **SPECIAL KEYNOTE**

**Chair:** Sheikh Sana Assad, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia; **Prof. Simi Malhotra**, Head, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

5:05 PM - 6:05 PM - **Dr. Avishek Parui**, Associate Professor, Indian Institute of Technology, Madras

**“Remembering, Forgetting, Forgiving: Perspectives from Trauma and Memory Studies”** (45+15 Q/A)

**Moderator:** Somya Charan Pahadi, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

**Rapporteur:** Sameyah Roomi, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

6:05 PM - 6:15 PM - **Closing Address, Farhana Tasnim**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

6:15 PM - 6:20 PM - **Vote of Thanks, Sheikh Sana Assad**, PhD Scholar, Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia

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