

ANUP DHAR, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, SHS

EDUCATION

Anup Dhar was a medical doctor while he was also a keen follower of the 'political'. Both shaped his bio-graph. On the one hand, he moved to histories of healing and philosophies of the body and thereafter to mental health, especially post-Foucauldian psychiatry and post-Freudian psychoanalysis. On the other, the passion for 'non-party political imaginations' took him to the interstices of Marxian and feminist perspectives. The question of 'cultural difference' is, however, his present preoccupation. He has a PhD in Philosophy from Jadavpur University, Kolkata.

PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

Dr Dhar has been a Research Fellow in *Women's Studies* at The Asiatic Society, Kolkata (Nov 2002 to Feb 2007; where he worked on 'Science and Feminism') and a Fellow in Cultural Studies at the Centre for the Study of Culture and Society (CSCS), Bangalore (March 2007 to Jan 2011, where he worked on the question of 'Culture, Subjectivity and Psychoanalysis' and the 'Integration of Natural and Human Sciences'). He has also taught at the School of Women's Studies, Jadavpur University, Kolkata (2005, 2006), Christ University, Bangalore (2008, 2009, 2010), Department of Economics, Kalyani University, Bengal (March 2009), Department of Economics, University of Calcutta (March 2010) and Symbiosis Institute of Mass Communication, Bangalore (2010). He is the Research Coordinator of CUSP – an applied research programme on Rethinking Mental Health' (www.cusp.net.in). He was the Research Coordinator of the *Integrated Science Education* Initiative of the Higher Education (HE) Cell at CSCS (www.cscs.res.in). He was also Convenor, PhD Committee, CSCS (2009-2010). He was one of the founder members of '*From the Margins: a journal of critical theory in a postcolonial setting*' – Kolkata (1998-2003). His current work at the School of Human Studies, AUD involves teaching and the completion of a book titled "The Secret Politics of *Ab-Original* Psychoanalysis: *Fort-Da* between the Windscreen and the Rear-view Mirror" (this work looks at the emergence and expansion of psychoanalytic conceptualizations-approaches bringing together trends that developed in Calcutta, Bombay, Bangalore and Delhi).

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

(a) Book Projects

Kathapokathane Marx-Rabindranath: Unnayan O Bikalpa (Development and Alternative – co-authored with A. Chakrabarti in the vernacular) – Gangchil, Kolkata, 2008.

- *Dislocation and Resettlement in Development: From Third World to World of the Third* – Routledge: New York and London, 2009 (co-authored with A. Chakrabarti).
- *Global Capitalism and World of the Third* (co-authored with A. Chakrabarti and S. Cullenberg) – Worldview: New Delhi – forthcoming (2011).

(b) Book Manuscripts

- *Psychoanalysis and Sexual Difference in Cultural Crucible: Girindrasekhar Bose and the aboriginal theory of mental life* – manuscript.
- *Neo-Liberal Globalization, Global Capitalism and Inclusive Development: Theorizing India's Economic Transition* – Aakar: New Delhi (co-authored with A. Chakrabarti and B. Dasgupta) – in review.
- *Whither the Political: Marx-Tagore-Gandhi in Dialogue* – manuscript.

(c) Published Pamphlets

- *Class Trouble* – 2007 (co-authored with A. Chakrabarti and S. Cullenberg) – Sanhati – Calcutta.
- *Lesbian Standpoint* – 2007 (co-authored with A. Achuthan and R. Biswas) – Sanhati – Calcutta.
- *Reading Lacan* – Worldview, New Delhi, 2012 forthcoming.

(d) Publications in Edited Volumes

- “Science(s) of the Mind: Fort-Da between the Windscreen and the Rearview Mirror” in *Materialism and Immaterialism In India and the West: Varying Vistas* (Volume XII, *Levels of Reality*, Part 5 – ed. Partha Ghosh), in PROJECT OF HISTORY OF INDIAN SCIENCE, PHILOSOPHY AND CULTURE (PHISPC), General Ed. D P Chattopadhyay, 2010.
- “Lacanian Theory: Beyond or within the Linguistic Turn” in *Post-structuralism and Cultural Theory*, edited by Franson Manjali – Allied Publishers, New Delhi – 2006.
- “Madness, ‘Mental Health Science’ and the ‘Ethics of Psychoanalysis’” (co-authored with R. Biswas) in *Human Rights and Ethics: Conceptual Analysis and Contextual Applications* Ed. Shashi Motilal – Anthem Press, U.K. – 2010.
- “Orientalism and the Transition of India in the Era of Globalisation” (co-authored with A. Chakrabarti and S. Cullenberg) in *Immigration and Migration: Social Change and Cultural Transformation* – ed. Emory Elliot, Jasmine Payne and Patricia Ploerch – 2009.

(e) Journal articles

- “Survival of Violence: Violence of Survival” in *Identity, Culture and Politics* Vol 5, 1-2, 2004.
- “Development and Capitalism: An Encounter with Tagore’s Ideas on the ‘Co-operative Principle’ ” (co-authored with A. Chakrabarti) in *Rethinking Marxism: A Journal of Economics, Culture and Society* 20: 3, 487 - 499 – Routledge: New York and London, 2008.
- “Rethinking Poverty Beyond Non-Surplus Theories: Class and Ethical Dimensions of Poverty Eradication” (co-authored with A. Chakrabarti and S. Cullenberg) – in *Rethinking Marxism: A Journal of Economics, Culture and Society* 20: 4, 673 - 687 – Routledge: New York and London, 2008.
- “Cultural Studies as *labor of negotiation* in Higher Education” in *Journal of Cultural Studies* (ed. Lawrence Grossberg) – Routledge: New York and London, Vol. 25, No. 1, 2011.
- “*Developments: Queering Time*” – review of Erica Burman’s book *Developments: Child, Image, Nation* – Routledge: New York and London in *Journal of Health Management* – Sage: London – 2009.
- “Sexual Difference: *Encore, yet again*” in *Annual Review of Critical Psychology* – No. 7, 2009.
- “Labour, Class and Economy: Rethinking Trade Union Struggle” in *Economic and Political Weekly* Vol 43 No. 22 May 31 - June 06 (co-authored with A. Chakrabarti).
- “Children’s Working World through the Lens of Class” – (co-authored with A. Chakrabarti) in *Journal of Social and Economic Development* – 2007.

CURRENT PROJECTS

- *Integrated Science Education at IISERs: Exploring Possibilities* – this project (Aug 2009 to Dec 2010) has developed the Humanities and Social Science component for the Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER-Pune) – funded by MHRD.

- *The Experience of Gendered Violence: Developing Psychobiographies* – March 2010 to Feb 2012, funded by ICSSR.
- *Higher Education and Governance in the Contemporary: Lessons and Policy Implications* – June 2009 – May 2010, funded by Mahanirban Calcutta Research Group (CRG) and Ford Foundation