

Sixth Winter Course on Forced Migration

Applications are invited for a 15-day orientation course on Forced Migration to be held in Kolkata, India (1-15 December 2008). The short-term winter course, organised each year by the Mahanirban Calcutta Research Group, will be preceded by a two and a half month long programme of distance education. The course is intended for younger academics, refugee activists and others working in the field of human rights and humanitarian assistance for victims of forced displacement. The curriculum will deal with themes of nationalism, ethnicity, partition, and partition-refugees, national regimes and the international regime of protection, political issues relating to regional trends in migration in South Asia, internal displacement, the gendered nature of forced migration and protection framework, resource politics, environmental degradation, and several other issues related to the forced displacement of people. The course will put emphasis on the experiences of displacement, creative writings on refugee life, critical legal and policy analysis, and analysis of relevant notions such as vulnerability, care, risk, protection, return and settlement. The course will include fieldwork and other exercises. For content and structure of past courses, please consult the Archives section of the CRG website at <http://www.mcrpg.ac.in/winter.htm>.

Applicants must have (a) 3 years experience in the work of protection of the victims of forced displacement, OR hold a post-graduate degree in Social Sciences and (b) proficiency in English. Besides giving all necessary particulars, application must be accompanied by an appropriate recommendation letter and a 500-1000 word write-up on how the programme is relevant to the applicant's work and may benefit the applicant. Selected candidates from South Asia will have to pay INR 5000 each as registration fee (from outside South Asia the fee is US \$ 500). CRG will bear accommodation and other course expenses for all participants.

Applications, addressed to the Course Coordinator, can be sent by e-mail to forcedmigrationdesk@mcrpg.ac.in or by post, and must reach the following address by **31 May 2008**:

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For details visit our web site <http://www.mcrpg.ac.in/wc05.htm>. Inquiries relating to the application procedure are welcome.

Previous experience relevant to the Course)	

Name of two referees	
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Name	Name
Corresponding address	Corresponding address
Phone (with ISD & STD)	Phone (with ISD & STD)
Email:	Email:

Please add to this a Statement of Purpose (1000 words), any other necessary particulars that you wish to provide and reference letters from two referees.

Signature of the Applicant

Send to:
Programme Coordinator
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