



Azim Premji University Colloquium Series

"Panel Discussion: India Studies Group"

Panelists

**Probal Dasgupta, Ramachandra Guha, Pratap Bhanu Mehta,
Ashis Nandy and Prasanna**

Date: March 03, 2017 (Friday)

Time: 2.00 pm to 5.00 pm

Venue: Seminar Hall, 10th Floor, Pixel A, Azim Premji University

About the Lecture

The panelists will share their views on the possibilities of social research on India. This discussion is the inaugural event of the India Studies Group, a new research initiative at APU.

About the Panelists

Probal Dasgupta is Professor of Linguistics at the Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata. His publications include, *Inhabiting Human Languages: The Substantivist Visualization* (2012) and *The Otherness of English: India's Auntie Language Syndrome* (1993).

Ramachandra Guha is an historian and independent scholar based in Bangalore. He has recently published, *Democrats and Dissenters* (2016) and *Gandhi Before India* (2013).

Pratap Bhanu Mehta is a political scientist and President of Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi. He has recently co-edited *Navigating the Labyrinth: Perspectives on India's Higher Education* (2017) and *The Oxford Handbook of the Indian Constitution* (2016).

Ashis Nandy is among the leading cultural critics in the country and a Senior Fellow, Centre for the Study of Developing Societies, New Delhi. His publications include the classic, *The Intimate Enemy* (1983), and, more recently, *Regimes of Narcissism and Regimes of Dissent* (2013).

Prasanna is a theatre director and founder of Charaka, a Multipurpose Women's Handloom Co-operative in Bhimanakone. He has written *Indian Method in Acting* (2013) and *Shudraragona Banni* (Let us Become Shudras, 2015).