

### Dr MANTUONG KAMMINTHANG

**Department:** Sociology

**Current Designation:** Assistant Professor

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Teaching at Miranda House since: Jan 2016 till date

Total Teaching Experience: 6 years

# Research Degree(s):

PhD: Centre for the Study of Social Systems, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

Thesis: Taming 'Bird Flu': A Sociological Study of an Epizootic Disease

## **Academic Qualifications:**

MPhil: Centre for the Study of Social Systems, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

MA in Sociology: Centre for the Study of Social Systems, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

### **Research Interests:**

Anthropology of Medicine

Science, Technology & Society (STS)

**Environmental Studies** 

# **Fellowship**

Recipient of Short-term Scholarship for Asian PhD/Doctoral Student to the *Graduate Programme for Transcultural Studies (GPTS)*, Cluster of Excellence: "Asia and Europe in a Global Context", Karl Jaspers Centre, University of Heidelberg, Germany.

# **Publications:**

Mantuong, Kamminthang. "Public Health Discourse on 'Bird Flu' and Santals' Response to Culling". Springer [Forthcoming]



Mantuong, Kamminthang. 2019. Book Review of "Stacking the Coffins: Influenza, War and Revolution in Ireland, 1918-19" by Ida Milne. Manchester, UK: Manchester University Press, 2018. *The JMC Review*, Vol. 3, November, 195-196. ISSN: 2456-9550

https://www.jmc.ac.in/uploads/staticfiles/jmcreview/vol3/Thang%20Book%20Review.pdf

Egorova, Yulia, Rajeswari S. Raina and Kamminthang Mantuong. 2015. "An Analysis of the GM Crop Debate in India". In Phil Macnaghten, Susana Carro-Ripalda and Joanildo Burity, eds. *Governing Agricultural Sustainability: Global Lessons from GM crops* (Pathways to Sustainability). UK: Earthscan-Routledge, 105–135. BSN: 9781138891821.

Egorova, Yulia and Kamminthang Mantuong. 2014. "India". In Phil Macnaghten, Susana Carro-Ripalda and Joanildo Burity, eds. *A New Approach to Governing GM Crops: Global Lessons from the Rising Powers*. Durham, UK: Durham University Working Paper, 67–86.

http://www.researchgate.net/publication/263662446\_A\_New\_Approach\_to\_Governing\_GM\_Crops\_Global\_L essons from the Rising Powers

# **Educational Resource Material Developed:**

Mantuong, Kamminthang. 2022. "Treadmill of Production". In Kiranmayi Bhushi, ed. *Environmental Sociology*, New Delhi: Indira Gandhi National Open University, Pp. 53-66. BSN: 978-93-5568-362-5.

Mantuong, Kamminthang. 2022. "Ecological Modernization". In Kiranmayi Bhushi, ed. *Environmental Sociology*. New Delhi: Indira Gandhi National Open University, Pp. 67-82. BSN: 978-93-5568-362-5.

Mantuong, Kamminthang. 2022. "Risk". In Kiranmayi Bhushi, ed. *Environmental Sociology*. New Delhi: Indira Gandhi National Open University, Pp. 83-96. BSN: 978-93-5568-362-5.

### **Research Projects:**

Principal Investigator (PI), Paddy Growing Culture Project, Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts, New Delhi (October 2018 till date)

Consultant, ICSSR Project, Centre for Historical Studies, School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi (February 2015 - December 2015)

Postdoctoral Researcher, GMFuturos Project, Department of Anthropology, Durham University, UK (September 2013 - October 2014)

# **Presentations** (Selected):

International

"Avian Influenza: Public Health Discourse, Vernacular Healing and Santals' Response to Culling", International Symposium: 'State, Society, Stigma: Rethinking Disease in a Global Age', La Trobe University, Melbourne, Australia (26<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> June 2014)



"The Epidemiology of 'Bird Flu' in West Bengal, India", Royal Anthropology Institute (RAI) Conference: 'Anthropology in the World', British Museum, London (8<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> June 2012)

"The Arts and Aesthetics of Popular Healing Among the Santals in Rural West Bengal, India", 12<sup>th</sup>Association of Social Anthropology (ASA) Conference: 'Arts and Aesthetics in a Globalizing World', JNU, New Delhi (3<sup>rd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> April 2012)

"Avian Flu as Transnational Risk: Risk Communication, Perception, and Translation in Rural West Bengal, India", International Conference: '1st Asia-Europe Forum on Methods and Perspectives of Risk Analysis', City University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong (17th - 18th November 2011)

"Taming 'Bird Flu': A Sociological Study of an Epizootic Disease", Presentation by Short-term Visiting Scholars, Global Studies Programme, Institute for Sociology, University of Freiburg, Germany (22<sup>nd</sup> January 2009)

"Taming 'Bird Flu': Risk, Rhetoric and Symbolism", Colloquium: 'Transcultural Studies – Disciplinary Approaches', Cluster of Excellence: Asia and Europe in a Global Context, University of Heidelberg, Germany (12<sup>th</sup> November 2008)

"Social Autopsy of Disaster: Terror, Vulnerability and Risk Reduction", International Conference: 'Re-Examining Disaster, Recovery and Reconstruction: Social Science Perspectives on the Tsunami', JNU, New Delhi (14<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> January 2008)

#### National

"GM in India: Exploring Science, Technology and Society Interface", GM Futures India Workshop, India Habitat Centre, New Delhi (13<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> January 2014)

"Industrial Poultry, Risk Management and Modernization of Agriculture: A Case Study of the Outbreak of Bird Flu in West Bengal, India", XXXVIII All India Sociological Conference: 'Contemporary Indian Society: Challenges and Responses', Mohanlal Sukhadia University, Udaipur, Rajasthan (27<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> December 2012)

#### **Session Chaired:**

"Health and Society", International Conference: 'Northeast India & Southeast Asia: Exploring Continuities', Ambedkar University Delhi (AUD), Delhi (25<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> October 2018)

"GM in the Lab: Exploring the Perspective of the Scientists", GM Futures India Workshop, India Habitat Centre. New Delhi (13<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> January 2014)

## **Conferences Organized:**

GM Futures India Workshop, India Habitat Centre, New Delhi (13th - 14th January 2014)

# Workshops Attended:

Ajay Govind, "Let's Make Films", 15 Hours Ethnographic Film Making Workshop, Department of Sociology, Miranda House College, University of Delhi, Delhi (29<sup>th</sup> January, 8<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> February and 15<sup>th</sup> March 2018)

Ajay Govind, "Ethnographia", An Interactive Workshop on Film Making, Department of Sociology, Miranda House College, University of Delhi, Delhi (9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> February and 1<sup>st</sup> March 2017)



Kavita Joshi, "Ethnographic Film Making", One Day Workshop for Teachers, Department of Sociology, Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi, Delhi (20<sup>th</sup> January 2017)

#### **Courses Attended:**

"4-Week Faculty Induction/Orientation Programme for 'Faculty in Universities/Colleges/Institutes of Higher Education'", Teaching Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi (22nd July – 20 August 2023)

"Two-Week Interdisciplinary Refresher Course in 'Advanced Research Methodology'", Teaching Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi (22nd August – 05th September 2023)

"Inter-Disciplinary Two-Week Refresher Course in 'Managing Online Classes & Co-creating MOOCS'", Teaching Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi (06<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> September 2023)

"One Week Faculty Development Programme on 'National Education Policy-2020'", Teaching Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi (03rd – 09th October 2023)

"One Week Faculty Development Programme on 'Psychological Skills for Teaching and Learning'", Teaching Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi (10<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> October 2023)

"NEP 2020 Orientation & Sensitization Programme", Centre for Professional Development in Higher Education (UGC-MMTTC), University of Delhi (19<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> December 2023)

# **Membership Of Professional Bodies:**

Life Membership (LMI 4273), Indian Sociological Society (ISS)

### Administrative and Management Responsibilities:

Member, Extended Admission Committee (2023-24): BA Prog. Sociology, Miranda House (July - August 2023)

Faculty-in-Charge, Workload/ Paper Distribution & Timetable-Making Committee, Department of Sociology, Miranda House (July 2023)

NAAC Coordinator, NAAC 2016-21, Department of Sociology, Miranda House (July 2022 - January 2023)

Department Library-in-Charge, Department of Sociology, Miranda House (July 2022 - June 2023)

Faculty-in-Charge, NAAC 2022-23, Department of Sociology, Miranda House (May 2022 - June 2023)

Member, North East Cell, Miranda House (July 2022 - June 2023)

Member, Extended Admission Committee (2022-23): BA Prog. Sociology, Miranda House (October 2022 - December 2022)

Member, Extended Admission Committee (2022-23): BA Hons. Sociology, Miranda House (July 2022 - August 2022)

Member, Extended Admission Committee BA Hons. Sociology, Miranda House (September 2021 - October 2021)

Member, North East Cell, Miranda House (June 2021 - July 2022)

Library Representative, Department of Sociology, Miranda House (March 2021 - June 2022)



Faculty-in-Charge, Sociology Society, Department of Sociology, Miranda House (July 2018 - July 2020) Member, Admission Committee Members (2020-21): BA (H) Sociology, Miranda House (April 2020 - May 2020)

Department Library-in-Charge, Department of Sociology, Miranda House (February 2016 - June 2018)

## **Student Related Co-curricular Activities:**

Guide, Compendium of Students' Research Projects (2022-23), a publication of Department of Sociology, Miranda House

Guide, Compendium of Students' Research Projects (2020-21), a publication of Department of Sociology, Miranda House

Guide, Compendium of Students' Research Projects (2019-20), a publication of Department of Sociology, Miranda House

Faculty-in-Charge, Field Trip to Dharamshala and McLeod Ganj in Himachal Pradesh (September 2019)

# Synergy:

Consultant, Project Axshya, The Union (International Union Against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease), South East Asia Office, New Delhi (November - December 2012)