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on

## “Law and the Re-making of Ahmedabad”

by



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Dr. Rukmini Barua is a Post-doctoral researcher at Re: Work, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin. Rukmini completed her doctorate in history from the Centre for Modern Indian Studies at the University of Göttingen. Previously, she was trained in sociology at the Delhi School of Economics. Her PhD research focused on workers' neighbourhoods in Ahmedabad. Drawing from both archival and ethnographic material, Barua's PhD thesis traced the histories of the industrial areas of Ahmedabad from the 1920s to the 2000s.

#### Abstract

This talk will examine the ways in which the 'Prohibition of Transfer of Immovable Properties in Disturbed Areas Act' of 1986 has shaped the property market in Ahmedabad through markers of community. In particular, I focus on the industrial areas of Ahmedabad which have witnessed large scale property transfers since the mid 1980s. Drawing on both archival and ethnographic research, I examine how the enactment, circumvention and the periodic extension of the scope of the 'Disturbed Areas Act' has remade neighbourhoods in contemporary Ahmedabad—segregating them, sharpening their boundaries and legally ensuring limited co-habitation between communities.

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