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The Ethics, Politics, and Ecologies of Farming Animals in Multicultural Societies:

Insights from India



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The Indian livestock sector is estimated to be the largest in the world. The intensification of livestock production in India has unfolded alongside serious sectarian conflicts around cultural vegetarianism and cow protection, which have preoccupied public conversation. This talk examines the intersections between these socio-politico-cultural conditions, the trajectories of animal farming, and its multispecies justice implications, discussing how culture comes to matter (or not) in the lives and socio-ecologies of farmed animals.

[Krithika Srinivasan, PhD](#), is Senior Lecturer in the School of Geosciences. Her research and teaching interests lie at the intersection of political ecology, post-development politics, animal studies, and nature geographies. Dr. Srinivasan’s work draws on research in South Asia to rethink globally established concepts and practices about nature-society relations. Through empirical projects on street dogs and public health, biodiversity conservation, animal agriculture, and non-elite environmentalisms, her scholarship focuses on decolonizing and reconfiguring approaches to multispecies justice. Dr. Srinivasan’s research and teaching are deeply rooted in long-term field engagement and praxis in India.



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