

## Botanical and meteorological history of the Indian Ocean, 1500-1900

### Delhi meeting- August 30th-31st

#### Draft Schedule

##### **Day 1:**

9:30-10:00 **Introduction:** Vinita Damodaran (Sussex University) and Deepak Kumar (JNU)

10:00-11:45 Panel 1: *Archives and Holding Institutions*

Speakers: Penny Brook, Antonia Moon (British Library); Mushirul Hasan [provisional] (National Archives of India); P.P. Bhuj [provisional] (Forest Research Institute); B. Venugopal (Indian Museum of Natural History); Parmajit Singh (Botanical Survey of India)

11:45-12:30 Plenary: **Climate histories of the Indian Ocean**

Rob Allan (Met Office) and George Adamson (University of Brighton/Sussex University)

12:30-13:30 Lunch

13:30-15:30 Panel 2: *Regional Sources*

Speakers: MCM Iqbal (Institute of Fundamental Studies) - Sri Lanka; Aparna Vaidik (George Washington) - Andaman Islands; Iftekar Iqbal (University of Dacca) - Bangladesh; Venkata Raghotham (Pondicherry University) - South India; Fiona Williamson (National University of Malaysia - UKM) - Malaysia; Donal McCracken [provisional] (University of KwaZulu Natal) - Southern and Eastern Africa; Bipasha Raha [provisional] (Visva Bharati) - West Bengal

15:30-15:45 Tea

15:45-17:15 *Manuscripts and Non-Written Sources* (pre-colonial and colonial)

Anupama K. (French Institute Pondicherry) - Phenological Records; Minoti Chakravarty-Kaul (Delhi University) - Village Records; Sangeetha Dasgupta (JNU) [provisional] - Settlement reports

17:15-18:00 *Plenary: Sources for the environmental history of India*

Rohan D'Souza (JNU)

##### **Day 2:**

09:30-10:15 *Plenary* [to be confirmed]

10:15-11:00 Panel 3: *Navigation, Exchange and Connections*

Speakers: Anna Winterbottom (McGill University/Sussex University); Haripriya Rangan (University of Melbourne); Professor Pius Malekandathil (JNU) [provisional]

11:00-11:30 *Possibilities of Digital Archives*

Speaker: Richard Gartner (Kings College, University of London)

11:30-16:00 *Discussion of Future Projects:*

Themes: plant transfers; climate history; environmental history of India, maritime environments