

Persons with Disabilities Cell, MANUU

Invites you to a public lecture titled

Understanding and Situating Disability Rights

by Professor Kalpana Kannabiran

ABSTRACT

Our commonsensical understanding of disability is overdetermined by a sense of charity and pity. On the other hand, the Indian constitution and social movements forward a rights-based conception within which disability has to be comprehended. To be sure, these considerations are not airtight, what with rights activists *also* deploying disability within the charity framework. How do we find a way forward when the above two frameworks appear to be incommensurate, but yet invoked in a conflated manner? What is entailed when people with disabilities demand equal citizenship rights, and what does this demand itself do to the charity model? What sorts of demands does the claim to citizenship rights place on the agencies of the state? Taking these questions as its point of departure the talk will take on the burden of explaining how law and policy affect the lives of people with disabilities by viewing the constitution itself as inaugurating a transformative sociality.

Bio-note of the speaker: Professor Kalpana Kannabiran is Professor and Director, Council for Social Development, Hyderabad. A sociologist and legal researcher, she has published widely in the areas of disability studies, gender studies and the sociology of law.

The session will be chaired by Prof. Md. Shahid and the talk will be followed by a question and answer session with the speaker.

Date: 7 March 2017

Time: 3.00pm

Venue: CPDUMT Auditorium

All are welcome!



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Chair:

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