

Marginalized Cultures and Sustainable Futures in the Global South

Nantchouang Djibie Dany Forming

University of Bamenda, Cameroon

Upama Saikia

Lakhipur College, Assam, India

Yun-Hao Chuang

Institutum Iurisprudentiae Academia Sinica, Taiwan

Prachi V. Golhar

Symbiosis International (Deemed) University, Pune

Deepjyoti Bora

Msc in Geography (Geoinformatics), Cotton University, India



DeepScience

Published, marketed, and distributed by:

Deep Science Publishing, 2026
USA | UK | India | Turkey
Reg. No. MH-33-0658412
www.deepscienceresearch.com
editor@deepscienceresearch.com
WhatsApp: +91 7977171947

ISBN: 978-93-7185-535-8

E-ISBN: 978-93-7185-208-1

<https://doi.org/10.70593/978-93-7185-208-1>

Copyright © Dr. Nantchouang Djibie Dany Forming, Mrs Upama Saikia, Mr. Yun Hao Chuang, Mrs. Prachi Golhar, Mr. Deepjyoti Bora, 2026.

Citation: Djibie Dany Forming, N., Saikia, U., Chuang, Y. H., Golhar, P., & Bora, D. (Eds.). (2026). *Marginalized Cultures and Sustainable Futures in the Global South*. Deep Science Publishing. <https://doi.org/10.70593/978-93-7185-208-1>

This book is published online under a fully open access program and is licensed under a Creative Commons Attribution-NonCommercial 4.0 International License (CC BY-NC 4.0). This open access license allows third parties to copy and redistribute the material in any medium or format, provided that proper attribution is given to the author(s) and the published source. The publishers, authors, and editors are not responsible for errors or omissions, or for any consequences arising from the application of the information presented in this book, and make no warranty, express or implied, regarding the content of this publication. Although the publisher, authors, and editors have made every effort to ensure that the content is not misleading or false, they do not represent or warrant that the information-particularly regarding verification by third parties-has been verified. The publisher is neutral with regard to jurisdictional claims in published maps and institutional affiliations. The authors and publishers have made every effort to contact all copyright holders of the material reproduced in this publication and apologize to anyone we may have been unable to reach. If any copyright material has not been acknowledged, please write to us so we can correct it in a future reprint.

About Editors

Dr. Nantchouang Djibie Dany Forming

Dr. Nantchouang Djibie Dany Forming is an Associate Professor of Sociology, specialized in Population and Development studies. He works at the Higher Teacher Training College Bambili, The University of Bamenda. He is the author of a dozen articles.

ORCID ID: <https://orcid.org/0009-0006-8226-7375>



Mrs Upama Saikia

Mrs Upama Saikia serves as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Political Science at Lakhipur College in Goalpara, Assam, India. Her role involves teaching and academic research within the field of Political Science. She published various articles and presented numerous papers on international as well as national seminars. She is currently pursuing Phd Degree in the Dibrugarh University, Assam. Her research interests are government and politics, gender studies, human rights etc.

ORCID ID: <https://orcid.org/0009-0002-3430-6799>



Yun-Hao Chuang

Yun-Hao Chuang is an expert in migration, labor studies, and human rights in East and Southeast Asia. He is also a book editor. Their academic research rigorously analyzes migrant labor governance, gender disparities, and systemic discrimination, employing a comprehensive multidisciplinary framework that encompasses sociology, law, and social policy. Chuang examines the many interconnections of policy and personal experience to confront systematic inequities in the region.

ORCID ID: <https://orcid.org/0009-0005-3699-4152>



Prachi Golhar

Prachi Golhar is an environmental professional specializing in climate change adaptation, urban sustainability, and pollution control. She holds MSc degrees in Ecosystems & Human Health from Brunel University London and in Pollution Control Technology from Bharati Vidyapeeth. Her expertise includes environmental impact assessment, water resource management, and green infrastructure. She has conducted EIA studies for major developments, delivered environmental education, and provided consultancy translating climate data into policy-relevant insights. She has also published internationally on waste management, sustainable urban planning, and climate adaptation.



ORCID ID: <https://orcid.org/0009-0003-0510-8950>

Deepjyoti Bora

Deepjyoti Bora is an emerging researcher in Geography specializing in Geoinformatics. He completed his undergraduate studies at Nowgong College and is pursuing his M.Sc. in Geography at Cotton University. He has presented papers at ICSSR-sponsored national and international conferences on sustainable development, ethnic conflicts, migration, and tourism, and has published book chapters on the Sustainable Development Goals and Assam's tourism sector. He has also edited several research books. His research interests include sustainability, cultural landscapes, climate change, and geospatial analysis. He serves as an Editorial Board Reviewer for the Journal of Emerging Technologies and Innovative Research.



ORCID ID: <https://orcid.org/0009-0001-9339-9043>

Table of Contents

Chapter 1: Identity, Belonging, and Integration: A Study of Repatriated Tamils in Tamil Nadu.....1

Sanjeevani Rupasinghe

Chapter 2: Small Lives, Large Silences: Caste, Ethnic Marginality, and Resistance in The God of Small Things.....18

Dr. Mariya Aslam

Chapter 3: Intersecting Inequalities in a Warming World: Gender, Climate Vulnerability and Rights-Based Development.....26

Dr. Anil Bukya and Dr. Reena Verma

Chapter 4: Environmental Justice and India: A Comprehensive Review.....49

Dr. Aasim Mir

Chapter 5: The Stolen Future: Colonial Temporal Rupture and Indigenous Pathways to Sustainable Livelihoods in Pre-colonial Manipur.....56

Lukram Ngristin

Chapter 6: Family Socialisation and Emotional Regulation as Pathways to Psychological Resilience among Marginalised Youth in the Global South: A Conceptual Framework.....73

Desiree Frank, Dr. Amanpreet Kaur, Dr. Priyanka Srivastava

Chapter 7: Decolonial Approaches to Development: Education, Colonisation, Apartheid South Africa, and Union-Led Transformation.....92

Dr Joel Osei-Asiamah

Chapter 8: Gendered Precarity: Sexual Violence and Survival During Bengal Famine Of 1943.....109

Bijoy Mandal

Chapter 9: Continuities of Resistance and Marginalisation (A Comparative Study of the 2022 Aragalaya Movement and Sri Lanka's Civil War)123

N.W.M.K.T. Kavinda

Chapter 10: Media, Marginality, and the Right to Health: Communication Inequalities in Sustainable Futures.....135

Prapti Das

Chapter 11: Indigenous Knowledge Systems and Sustainable Livelihood Practices among Tribal Communities in Northeast India.....151

Himadri Shekhar Baroowa

Chapter 12: Fintech, Digital Credit, and Urban Governance: Reframing Financial Inclusion in India's Smart Cities.....166

Dr. Wuppuluru Ramana Rao, Dr. Jayant Isaac

Chapter 13: From Pavement to Platform: Smart Technology Integration Strategies for Street Vendors in Marginalized Urban Quarters of the Global South.....181

Dr. Viraj P. Tathavadekar

Chapter 14: Smart Crowd Management and the Politics of Public Space in Emerging Cities.....197

Tejas Dixit, Ritik Kumar, and Indhumathi Raman

Chapter 15: A Hub of Eco-adventure Heritage, Wildlife Tourism and Community Based Sustainable Development; Nameri National Park, Assam.....207

Angshuman Uddipta Khanikar, Devadiksha Roy

Chapter 16: Gender and Climate Change through Northeastern Indians lens...223
Yukta Hazarika

Chapter 17: Chemical Perspectives on Waste Management and Circular Economy in Informal Urban Settlements of the Global South.....233
Angkan Bora

Chapter 18: Unequal Impacts of Climate Change: Women, Risk and Resilience.251
Parismita Kachari

Chapter 19: Cultural Heritage, Ecotourism and Sustainable Development: The Role of Marginalised Communities in the Global South - A review of existing literature.....264
Anwasha Baruah

Chapter 20: Invisible Citizens in Digital Democracies: Representation, Exclusion, and Sustainable Policy.....273
Richa Mahajan and Dr. Urvashi Sharma

Chapter 21: Urbanization and the Digital Divide in Smart Cities.....288
Dr. Sanjay Pal

Chapter 22: The New Frontier of Coloniality: Green Extractivism, Indigenous Territoriality, and the Struggle for Decarbonization Justice in the Global South.299
Prachi V. Golhar

Chapter 23: Embers Beneath the Dust: Gendered Environmental Precarity and Development in A Thousand Splendid Suns.....322
Niya V Raj

Chapter 24: Traditional Ecological Knowledge: Prospects and Challenges.....331
Pahi Sharma, Atrayee Baruah, Priyanshu Sahu

Chapter 25: The Woods as a Symbolic Ecosystem in Neikehienuo Mepfhu-o’s Out of the Woods.....339

Imchenmeren, Dr. Thokchom Sunanda Devi

Chapter 26: The Apple Shift and Socio-Economic Vulnerability in the Upper Himalayas.....349

Harry Sood

Chapter 27: Subaltern Ecologies of the Global South: Ecocriticism, Literature, and Environmental Justice.....358

Deepayan Das

Chapter 28: Caste-Based Inequality in Household Consumption Expenditure in India.....372

Shilpi Chamuah, Dikshita Buragohain, Goutam Saikia372

Chapter 29: The Reef as Metaphor: Ecological Fragility and Postcolonial Disillusionment in Romesh Gunesequera’s Reef.....385

Chinmoyee Kalita, Chayanika Kalita

Chapter 30: Indigenous Knowledge–Based Phytochemistry for Drug Discovery and Sustainable Healthcare.....393

Khirood Dutta, Parismita Saikia

Chapter 31: The Body Remembers: Indigenous Embodied Knowledge and Women’s Pathways to Sustainable Well-Being.....405

Ms.Muskan Goel, Dr. Archana Mishra

Chapter 33: Human-Wildlife Conflict and Indigenous Ecological Ethics in Assam: Toward Participatory Conservation and Community-Centered Coexistence....426

Dharitri Sarmah

Chapter 34: Digital Carbon Credit Aggregation Platform for MSMEs.....439
Akshat Atray, Sakshi Singh

Chapter 35: The cultural and traditional values of Mising tribal Community of Assam by practicing Sustainable livelihood.....449
Mamoni Pegu

Chapter 36: The Efficacy of a Reparative Education Funding Model in Reversing Inter-Generational Inequality in the Sri Lanka Plantation Sector.....460
A.A.S.I.Amarakoon

Chapter 37: Negotiating Marginality through Cultural Sustainability: The Tea Community of Kaliabor.....473
Jyotishmita Borah

Chapter 38: Gender Equity in Education: Building Sustainable Classroom Cultures.....484
Jyotika Bailung, Dr. Manisha Das

Chapter 39: Negotiating Tradition and Modernity: Youth, Cultural Transmission, and the Reconfiguration of Meaning of Jonbeel Mela among the Tiwa Tribe of Morigaon District.....495
Sashanka Gogoi

Chapter 40: Community-Based Tourism for Cultural Heritage Preservation: A Study of Nagaon District, Assam.....506
Pallab Jyoti Sarmah, Sudershana Sarmah

Chapter 41: Vulnerability to Agency: Intersectional Gender Perspectives on Climate Justice and Sustainable Development.....518
Tanjuma Mohima, Professor Dr. Abdullah-Al-Monzur Hussain

Chapter 42: Marginalized Lives and Uncertain Futures: Intersections of Caste and Class in Sujatha Gidla’s Ants Among Elephants.....533

Ashish K. Sondarva

Chapter 43: Traditional Environmental Practices of Northeast India: An Analysis.....544

Dr. Simi Borah and Dr. Bonoshree Saikia

Chapter 44: Community-Based Heritage Tourism in Namsai, Arunachal Pradesh.....552

Partha Pratim sonowal

Chapter 45: Maternal Grey Fog and the Politics of Reproductive Debt: Rethinking Sustainable Futures through Dalit and Adivasi Motherhood Narratives.....566

Ashraful Haque, Ziniya Al Baha

Chapter 46: Ethno-Spiritual Knowledge and Sustainable Living with Nature: Reclaiming Tai Phake Buddhist Traditions within Indian Knowledge Systems...577

Alisha Chetri, Sashanka Gogoi, Madhujya Boruah

Chapter 47: Gender Inequality, Health Expenditure, and Trade Openness: Panel Quantile Evidence on Growth in Emerging Economies.....592

Emna Essadik

Chapter 48: Marginal Heritage to Global Visibility: Tourism Opportunities from the UNESCO Charaideo Maidams and the Historic City of Sivasagar.....607

Dr. Ratul Dutta, Ankur Das

Chapter 49: Surviving Genocide: Yazidi Women, ISIS, and the Politics of Sexual Violence.....620

Madhurjya Mandit Deka and Dibyasri Devi

Chapter 50: Imagining Survival: Gender, Inequality, and Sustainable Futures in Global Cinema.....635

Preethi Jose

Chapter 51: Subaltern Ecologies: Gendered Resistance in the Stories of Mahasweta Devi.....644

Sanjay Kumar Sarkar

Chapter 52: Reclaiming the Table: Indigenous Food Systems and Decolonial Approaches to Geriatric Nutrition.....658

Shikha Dixit and Reena Verma

Chapter 53: National Urban Policy in Cameroon and International Governance Instruments for Cities: Between Strategic Challenges and Osmotic Imperatives for Sustainability.....682

Dr. Djibie Kaptchouang Lionel, Prof. Nantchouang Djibie Dany Forming

Chapter 54: Trauma, Eco-casteism and the Dalit Self: Mapping the Poetics of Resistance in Dalit Personal Narratives.....706

Dr. Subhendu Dutta

Chapter 55: Neuro-Urban Sovereignty: Bridging Indigenous Spatial Knowledge and AI Climate Systems in Marginalized Urban Settlements.....719

Pallavi Priya Silveira

Chapter 56: State of Knowledge and Environmental Vulnerability to Malaria in Northern Cameroon.....739

DJIBIE KAPTCHOUANG Lionel

Chapter 57: Psychological Resilience and Mental Well-Being among Marginalized Communities in the Global South.....759

Dr. Jaya Bharti, Ms. Harshika Singh

Chapter 58: Future Prospects and Employment Dilemmas of Older Workers under the Sustainability and ESG Framework.....778

Yun-Hao, Chuang

Chapter 59: Digital Culture, Mental Health & Identity: A Survey on How Gen Z Navigates Social Media, Stress, and Belonging.....793

Dr. Ravneet Kaur