

CPR-CSH Digital Workshop on: Citizenship in Limbo: an analysis of rehabilitation housing

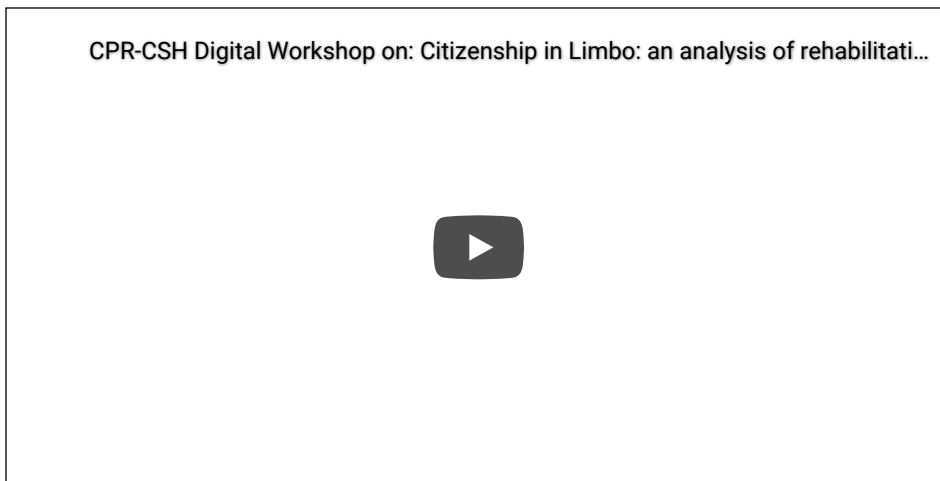
DR KAVERI HARITAS

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The Centre for Policy Research (CPR) and Centre de Sciences Humaines (CSH) invite you to a digital workshop on: **Citizenship in Limbo: an analysis of rehabilitation housing**

Speaker:

- Dr Kaveri Haritas, Associate Professor, Jindal School of Government & Public Policy

The session will be online via Zoom, please register [here](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_15iNiO_dRT-M-FLiqfVNoA) (https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_15iNiO_dRT-M-FLiqfVNoA). The session will also be live-streamed on the CPR Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/CentreforPolicyResearch/>).

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About the Talk

Rehabilitation housing first began to be provided in the 60s and 70s in India. The Turkman Gate demolitions during the emergency and the exchanges of housing for sterilisation certificates marked the first set of exchanges between the state and the urban poor (Tarlo, 2001). Even as the judiciary consistently refused to recognise the rights of the urban poor to housing as a fundamental right, rehabilitation housing has found its way into local slum laws and municipal legislations, becoming over time integral to enabling evictions of the urban poor. Desirous of 'legal housing' and an escape from vulnerability to forced evictions, the urban poor are now quick to accept rehabilitation housing, prodded by mediators of various sorts. But what happens once they are 'rehabilitated'? Do they achieve their dreams of legality? Do they finally escape their status as 'illegal citizens' and become full citizens? This talk relies on a longitudinal ethnography following 50 families over a period of 6 years in one of Bangalore's largest rehabilitation areas, to uncover what becomes of the rehabilitated poor.

About the Speaker

Dr Kaveri Haritas is Associate Professor at the Jindal School of Government & Public Policy. She has a bachelor's degree in law, a Masters and PhD. In Development Studies from the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva, Switzerland. Her doctoral research on rehabilitation housing was funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation (CanDoc) and is currently in the final stages of publication with the Cambridge University Press. Kaveri's research interests are in the area of urban poverty and inequality. Her past research has focused on urban poor housing, solidarity economy practices and technological impacts on low income workers in India. Kaveri is currently a visiting fellow at the

Centre for Social and Economic Progress, exploring issues of property rights in India.

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