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# RE-IMAGINING THE "WATER CYCLE"



## INSTRUCTOR

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Abhijit is an interdisciplinary water researcher (trained in engineering and the social sciences) and among the few Dalit voices working in the water and sanitation field. His recent writings on the subject of 'Caste and Access to Water' published in The Indian Express and The Wire. He is also a co-founder of the Ambedkar Reading Circle (Bangalore), an Anti-Caste collective to organize people in Bangalore through public readings, poetries and workshops.



## CO- INSTRUCTOR

### PRIYAM VADALIYA

Priyam is an interdisciplinary design researcher currently freelancing and collaborating with experts from sectors like environmental conservation, Indigenous knowledge systems, and Mental Health, which she is deeply interested in. One of her ongoing engagements is with Dr.Samira Agnihotri and Punarchith for the project "Aadhi: Solega intergenerational knowledge sharing program"

## OVERVIEW

In the Indian environmental discourse, there has never been an explicit discussion around the question of access to water for Dalits. Indian researchers and academicians have measured water inequalities among Indian communities through a 'technocratic' outlook. Considering the extreme challenges of the climate-crisis, the water and caste overlap needs urgent attention for bringing environmental justice and designing inclusive solutions. A critical paradigm shift is necessary to re-imagine the Indian environmental discourse. We invite the participants to re-imagine the water-cycle and understand the missing link between caste and access to water through reflection and critical thinking, using history, poetry, and literature.

## KEY WORDS

Critical-thinking, Water politics, Environmental-justice, Inter-media

## AVAILABILITY

12 Seats