

Professor Abhijit Guha



Abhijit Guha (b.1956) currently is Senior Fellow of the Indian Council of Social Science Research at the Institute of Development Studies Kolkata. He has taught Anthropology at Vidyasagar University in Medinipur, West Bengal, India for thirty years and retired as professor in August 2016. His most favourite area of research is land acquisition and the policies and practice around it. Guha did his Ph.D on land acquisition and displacement of peasants in West Bengal under the Left Front Government which is the first of its kind in this field. He has published more than 150 articles, comments and book reviews in various International and National level peer-reviewed journals, newspapers and edited volumes (published by Oxford and Routledge) which included *Current Anthropology*, *Population and Development Review*, *European Journal of Development Research*, *Anthropological Forum*, *American Anthropologist*, *Journal of the Indian Anthropological Society*, *Economic and Political Weekly*, *Social Change*, *Sociological Bulletin*, *Contributions to Indian Sociology*, *Decision*, *Frontier*, *Journal of Human Ecology*, *South Asian Anthropologist* and *The Statesman* since 1985 and presented invited papers in many Seminars and Conferences in India and abroad. He has written a book *Land, Law and the Left: The Saga of Disempowerment of the Peasantry in the Era of Globalization* in 2007 which has been acquisitioned in the Library of Congress at Washington DC. Dr. Guha was guest faculty at the West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences and was visiting fellow at the Department of Sociology, Delhi School of Economics and Centre for Advanced Studies, Utkal University. In 2008, he acted as an expert on the amendment of Land Acquisition and Resettlement and Rehabilitation bills before the Standing Committee on Rural Development, of the Indian Parliament.