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Report on Thinking Decolonially Through A Feminist Intersectional Lens by Professor Avtar Brah

The Mumbai Münster Institute of Advanced Studies (MMIAS), University of Mumbai, had organised a talk on *Thinking Decolonially Through A Feminist Intersectional Lens* by Professor Avtar Brah, Professor Emerita at Birkbeck College, University of London, on 15th March 2023. Professor Vibhuti Patel, Vice President, Indian Association for Women's Studies, and Retired Professor, TISS, Mumbai, chaired the Talk. The Talk was part of the MMIAS International Interdisciplinary Lecture Series 2023 conducted by the MMIAS.

Professor Nilufer E. Bharucha, Co-Director, MMIAS, welcomed the speaker and the participants and handed over the session to the Chairperson Professor Vibhuti Patel.



Professor Nilufer E. Bharucha

Professor Vibhuti Patel introduced the speaker Professor Avtar Brah and requested her to give her Talk.



Professor Vibhuti Patel

Professor Avtar Brah's Talk focussed on how the category of 'migrant' is socially constructed and how this figure is impacted by the British policies.



Professor Avtar Brah

Professor Brah differentiated between 'colonisation' and 'decoloniality' and examined their relationality as both concept and practice. The Talk also examined how British 'Black' feminism was developed by women of Asian, African, and Caribbean background and enacted Decolonial politics.

Professor Brah spoke about the questions of borders and boundaries and how these are played out socially and politically. She concluded the lecture by briefly focusing on how diasporas are created and played out, and how politics of alliance and solidarity are brought to the fore through the development of 'insurgent cosmopolitanism'.

The Talk was attended by participants from India and all around the world. The Question and Answer session was a fruitful one where participants were able to interact with Professor Brah directly.

The Talk ended with a vote of thanks by Ms. Kirti Risbud, Research Associate, MMIAS.

For the detailed talk, please visit the link given below:\ https://youtu.be/9JaJ9ccLEfw