

Migrants and Roads: Reporting in the Wake of Disasters and Migration

The State of India's Environment Report 2022 (DownToEarth, 2022) predicted that nearly 143 million people, a little more than the population of Maharashtra, will be displaced due to the massive climate disasters in the next thirty years. The displacement from homeland to some other place make a deep impact on the social and psychological life of a migrant. Difference in the socio-economic status makes it more complicated. The journey from their homeland, violation of welfare policies, reaction from the host state make the situation adverse for the rural poor and increase the level of vulnerability. Reporting on these issues is a challenging task for media practitioners; additionally, journalists from marginal and border regions face technical and infrastructural challenges during reporting on migrants.

The Calcutta Research Group (CRG) in collaboration with the Institute for Human Sciences (IWM), Vienna, and several other organisations, focuses on these issues and challenges in the media workshop this year, to be held on **28 July 2023**, in **Kolkata**, India. Applications are invited for the workshop (especially from young journalists working with vernacular media houses) to share their experiences in covering issues related to migrant workers with investigative reports, analytic write-ups, photos and/or short videos. Those engaged in the pedagogy of media practices and media studies may also apply for the workshop.

Interested journalists and media activists (within 35 years of age) can apply with a) Brief bio-note (100 words) b) Motivation for joining the workshop (200-300 words), and c) 2 samples of their previous work (reports, photo essays, short documentaries, etc.). CRG will provide accommodation (twin sharing) and travel reimbursement (up to AC-3 train fare) for the selected participants. Preference will be given to reporting on disasters and migration in border areas and districts.

Last date for submitting application through [Google Form](#) is **31 May 2023**.