**Workshop**

**on**

*West Bengal-Bangladesh Border: Humanitarian Issues*

**Kolkata, 17 December 2014**

**programme**

09.30 – 10.00 am **Introductory Remarks**

**Samir Kumar Das,** Professor, Department of Political Science and Dean of Arts, University of Calcutta and Member, Calcutta Research Group.

**Mary Werntz**, Head of Regional Delegation, ICRC.

**Indrani Sinha**, Executive Director, Sanlaap.

*Chair*: **Ranabir Samaddar**, Director, Calcutta Research Group

10.00-11.30 am **Theme: People in Indo-Bangladesh Enclaves -**

**Vulnerability, Rights and Justice.**

*Speaker:* **Atig Ghosh,** Assistant Professor of History, Visva-Bharati University and Member, Calcutta Research Group.

*Chair:* **Samir Kumar Das,** Professor, Department of Political Science, & Dean of Arts, University of *Calcutta* and Member, Calcutta Research Group*.*

*Discussants*: **Soumen Nag,** Author and eminent expert on North-Bengal; **Rajat Roy,** Independent Journalist and Member, Calcutta Research Group.

11.30-12.00 pm **Tea**

12:00- 1.30 pm  **Theme: Bangladeshi Women in Correctional Homes**

*Speaker:* **Sucharita Sengupta,** Research Assistant, Calcutta Research Group.

*Chair*: **Anita Sengupta**, Fellow, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies.

*Discussants*: **Uttam. K. Ray**, Advocate, High Court; **Ruchira Goswami,** Assistant Professor, West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences, Kolkata; **Ashokendu Sengupta,** Educationist and Chairperson, West Bengal Commission for Protection of Child Rights.

1.30-2.30 pm  **Lunch**

2.30-4.00 pm **Theme:** **Border Violence and civilian life around**

**Bengal - Bangladesh Border.**

*Speaker:* **Paula Banerjee**, Associate Professor, Department of South and South-East Asian Studies, University of Calcutta and President, Calcutta Research Group.

*Chair*: **Byasdeb Dasgupta**, Associate Professor, Department of Economics, University of Kalyani and Member, Calcutta Research Group.

*Discussants*: **Sabyasachi Basu Ray Chaudhury,** Vice Chancellor, Rabindra Bharati University and and Member, Calcutta Research Group; **Anirban Chattopadhyay**, Editor, Editorial Pages, Anandabazar Patrika; **Ranabir Samaddar,** Director, Calcutta Research Group**.**

4.00-4.30 pm **Tea**

4.30-5.30 pm **Round Table Discussion:**

**“Experiences of Border Violence: Bengal and Beyond”**

* *Moderator:* **Subhas Ranjan Chakraborty**, Eminent Historian and Member, Calcutta Research Group. *Participants:***Anjuman Ara Begum**, Human Rights Activist and Member, Calcutta Research Group;**Choton Das**, State Secretary of Bandi Mukti Committee; **Milan Dutta**, eminent Journalist, **Sujato Bhadra,** eminent Human Rights activist,  **Kirity Roy**, Secretary, Banglar Manabhadikar Surksha Mancha.