

India's Opposition to China–Pakistan Economic Corridor

- 10 India views the revival of the Silk Road that passes through Pakistan-occupied Kashmir as a violation of its sovereignty, ignoring the possible geoeconomic gains.
— *Atul Bhardwaj*

Powerful Media Houses vs Journalists

- 13 Journalists have lost the courage to write about issues that owners and managements do not want them to, including about their own unstable working conditions. — *Samrat*

Non-cooperative Game Theory and Pay-off

- 17 The game theory removes the pseudo-scientism of neoclassical mainstream analysis and replaces it with an approach that is more specific to the reality. But it has its limitations. — *Atanu Sengupta, Abhijit Ghosh*

Jisha Murder Case: Some Hard Questions

- 19 What is the method to prevent the many other "Jishas-in-waiting"? Teachers and students on campus must put their heads together to build a system of "student community-caring." — *Lina Acca Mathew*

Critical Reflections on the Transgender Persons Bill

- 21 A watered-down version of the bill has seen much opposition from the trans community as major provisions pertaining to a rights framework have been diluted. — *Justin Jos*

Seeing the Genius in the Ordinary

- 23 Anupam Mishra researched and worked on water management with empathy and imagination. — *Sopan Joshi*

Sustaining Water Regimes

- 26 Anupam Mishra's work on how the indigenous water systems of Rajasthan have sustained a water regime inspired a college lecturer to find solutions to her domestic water problem. — *Jyoti Raina*

Affordable Housing and Ethiopia's War on Poverty

- 38 The Ethiopian approach to planning and development is a unique and bold departure from the cautious and incremental approach that has dominated the third world. — *Antarin Chakrabarty*

Fixing the Milestones in Early Colonial Eastern India

- 43 Beginning with an account of the placement of milestones along the highway from Calcutta to Benares in the 1820s, the myriad histories of measurement practices in colonial India are discussed.
— *Paulami Guha Biswas*

Social Identity and Wage Discrimination in the Labour Market

- 51 Wage gaps are studied between socio-economic and religious groups. What emerges is that social identity-based wage disparity and discrimination have not disappeared despite affirmative actions. — *P Duraisamy, Malathy Duraisamy*

Targeting and Effects of Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana

- 61 Targeted health insurance coupled with a delivery system dominated by private providers cannot be the means to achieve universal healthcare. Nor can a tax-financed system be the solution, as that would lead to dependence on private sector for the provision of healthcare. — *Soumitra Ghosh, Nabanita Datta Gupta*

Questioning 'The Dalit Question'

- 71 A response to the Editorial published in *EPW* on 24 December 2016.
— *Arvind Kumar*

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