



Monthly Seminar Series: November 2018

Department of Sociology, Faculty of Arts,

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“New forms of Buddhism and the social formation in post-war Sri Lanka”

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“ Social formation and Goddess Kannagi worship in Sri Lanka”

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Thursday 15th November 2018 , 2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.

Seminar room, Department of Sociology, University of Colombo

All are welcome!



Mahesh Premarathna is a Ph.D. candidate in Social Anthropology at Deakin University, Australia. His research focuses on

understanding the nature of the contemporary social formation in Sri Lanka through the lens of a new Buddhist religious movement in a post-conflict setting of a nation that suffered from a protracted civil war with both ethnic and religious elements. Mahesh obtained honours degree in Sociology from University of Colombo, Sri Lanka in 2011 and master degree in Sociology from South Asian University, India in 2015. He has recently joined the Department of Sociology as a Lecturer (Probationary).



Kathirgamathamby Krishnaraj is a PhD Candidate in Anthropology at the Deakin University, Australia. His study attempts to understand social formation among the Hindus in post-war scenario through the goddess Kannagi worship. Krishnaraj has graduated from the Eastern University, Sri Lanka with honours degree in Sociology and he has completed master degree in Conflict, Peace and Development Studies (CPDS) in Tribhuvan University, Nepal in 2014