Abstract:
Caste as an institution on some occasions continues to be a reference point in any discussion on the functioning of social life, hierarchies and their relations to power structures in India. But, there are simultaneous assertions about its diminishing role in the quotidian life of the people in India. It is difficult to support any of these two contentions, since somewhere in the middle lies the answer. The discussion on the contemporary significance of caste would take into consideration the changing pattern of interactions between caste and politics in the last decades of the twentieth century, the changes in identity politics and the emergence of caste associations in the post Mondal period and the views on the caste class continuum.

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