Mobilizing the Youth? Peripatetic Labor in India’s New Service Economy

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In this seminar, Professor Upadhya will trace the formation of an army of footloose workers catering to Bangalore’s new service economy. By exploring how rural youth are mobilized to labor in corporate service industries such as retail, logistics, and hospitality, she will open up larger questions about new forms of work, changing aspirations, and the fractured pathways of social and spatial mobility in contemporary India.

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