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The Untouchable Citizen

On 6 June 2017 Jason Keith Fernandes spoke at St. Anthony's College, Uni. of Oxford on "The Untouchable Citizen". Exploring the emotional terrain of the citizenship experiences of groups in Goa in this presentation he argued that the linguistic choices made by the government of Goa ensured that it is not merely caste that is at the centre of citizenship experiences but in fact untouchability itself. Building on evidence from Goa he suggests that what obtains in Goa is not different from many other parts in India, allowing the suggestion that India is marked not as an egalitarian polity, but a casteist one.



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