

School of Education Studies
Ambedkar University Delhi, Lodhi Road Campus

invites you to a talk on

**Framing the Right to Education: History and
Contestations**

By

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On

Wednesday, 12 September, 2018,

02:00 pm – 5.00 pm

Venue: Seminar Hall, Lodhi Road Campus, AUD

Abstract:

Focusing on the historic Right to Education (2009), the talk is divided in two parts. The first part focuses on the historical journey of the right to education from being just a policy orientation to a rights perspective. Tracing the history of the right to education from late nineteenth industrial England to the late twentieth century, it describes how did education become part of human rights discourse as a global phenomenon.

The second part of the talk focuses on the framing of the Right to Education and the specific form of this legislation it took in the seven year journey (2002-2009) for this constitutional amendment to become a legislation. It asks why did RTE take this particular shape, what were the contestations, who were the different actors, what were the demands placed and which demands were included and not included.

About the speaker:

Distinguished Professor at Council for Social Development Prof. Govinda has earlier taught at NIEPA, M.S. University of Baroda, Institute of Education, London University and International Institute of Educational Planning, Paris. His research interests include school education and leadership and decentralized management, research methods. Currently on a ICSSR Fellowship he is writing a book on “Democracy, Human Rights and Education”.