

# Centre for Contemporary Studies

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## ***Gender differences in local residents' relationships with protected areas in Asia***

Speaker:

***Dr. Teri Allendorf***

**Thursday, 2nd Feb 2012, Time: 4:00 pm**

**Venue: CCS Seminar Hall, IISc, Bangalore 12**

**(Note: We have shifted to the former JNCASR, near the Health Centre)**

**Tea/Coffee will be served at 3:30 pm**

*Although participation and inclusion are considered critical to successful conservation of protected areas, women are often underrepresented in park-people studies. In this presentation, we examine differences between women's and men's attitudes and perceptions toward protected areas in Nepal, Myanmar, and China. These examples highlight the important role that gender can play in park-people relationships and demonstrates the need to explicitly recognize and analyze gender in human-environment relationships. Using social role theory, we discuss the different ways that gender roles impact attitudes toward the environment in general and protected areas in particular. We conclude with some lessons for creating more gender-sensitive approaches to conservation in order to engage women in conservation.*

*Dr. Teri Allendorf is a conservation biologist working on human dimensions of biodiversity conservation, including park-people relationships, community-based conservation, and biodiversity values and attitudes. She is an Honorary Fellow in the Nelson Institute for Environmental Studies and the Land Tenure Center at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and a research associate with the Smithsonian Conservation Biology Institute. She has also been a member of USAID's Biodiversity Team and a Peace Corps Volunteer in Nepal.*

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