

**We warmly invite you to a BERSAS film
screening & lecture
June 14, 2-5pm, room 315 at IAAW**

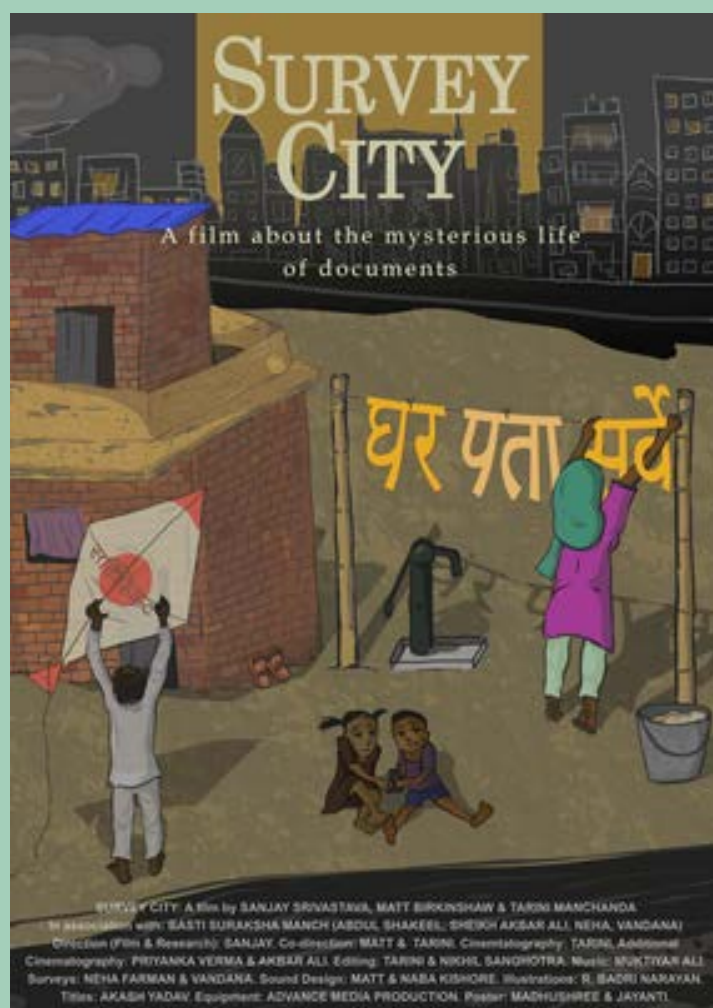


Screening of the documentary *SURVEY CITY* (2024)

& lecture by Prof. Sanjay Srivastava (SOAS)

“Entangled Sovereignties:

**New Land, Markets, an Entrepreneurial State and
the Aspirations of a ‘Criminal Caste’ in Gurgaon,
Haryana”**



This film explores the human elements – fear, anxieties, hope, confusion – that surround the urban poor’s efforts to be good citizens and listen to the state as it promises a better life through surveys and documentation. It also explores the frequently inexplicable nature of the state and its processes as it deals with those at the precarious edges of the city. The film focuses on the discovery of a set of survey-related document intended to provided security of tenure but was declared ‘lost’. More about the film *here*.

Prof. Sanjay Srivastava is an anthropologist and British Academy Global Professor. His research is primarily focused on South Asia and spans across themes of urbanism and urban cultures, consumer cultures, the new-middle classes, masculinities, and new cultures of work.



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