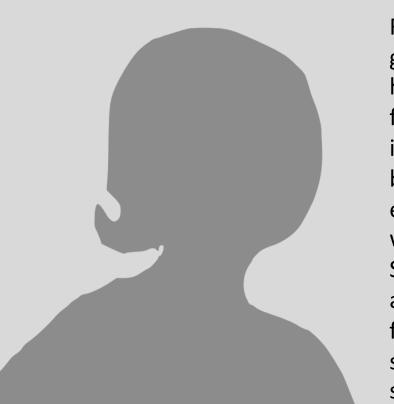


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## 'The Field and Fieldworker': An Introduction to Feminist Science Studies

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Feminist Science Studies is a field of study that has grown in India over the last three decades. The field has built slow and steady conversations within feminism and also within the social sciences. An important constituency in the field has naturally been the STEM community. Based on her own experiences of shaping the field in India, the speaker walks us through the major contours of this field. She links questions of low participation of women and other marginal groups in science to foundational questions of the nature and culture of science. The speaker draws upon the discipline of sociology to frame her observations, analyses and reflections.



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