

**Thursday, April 7, 3:30pm
Konover Auditorium, Dodd Center
2016 Radha Devi Joshi Lecture**

**India's Democracy:
Electoral Vibrancy, Liberal Deficits**

**Guest Speaker:
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Since 1947, India has forged and consolidated the world's largest democracy in the unlikely setting of low incomes and multiple ethnicities. Yet Indian electoral achievements far outweigh its performance between elections, when basic liberal freedoms come into question and governance deficits accumulate. This lecture addresses this paradox and situates India's democratic experience comparatively and theoretically.

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