# NEWSLETTER

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"Rare images of independent India's first general election in 1952" Scroll.in



# EXTERNAL ENGAGEMENTS

#### Jan 4-5, 2020

Gilles Verniers participated in the Harvard US- India conference, held in Mumbai on January 4th and 5th. He spoke in two panels on the tensions between media and politics and on the role and impact of disinformation in Indian elections.

## IN THE MEDIA

The Tribune
March 9, 2020
SY Quraishi
Former Chief Election Commissioner
of India

# Time women got 33% quota for seats in Houses

"Making women count in the political agenda is a singular achievement of the ECI. However, India has a disappointing record when it comes to women's representation in Parliament. According to Inter-Parliamentary Union, in 2019, India ranked 148th in the world, with only 62 women MPs in the Lower House, based on the 2014 elections. In the 17th Lok Sabha, the number saw a significant increase to 78, which still is a mere 14.31 per cent of the total strength of the present LS."

# UPDATES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **2020** TCPD Summer Internship application has closed. We have received a large number of applications. Applicants will be informed of their decision by April 24, 2020.

Given the growing concern with regard to the Covid 19 pandemic, TCPD has decided to postpone the 2020 TCPD Summer School. Instead, we will plan on organising a **2020 TCPD Winter School** to be held in December, this year.

#### A note:

We are immensely sad to announce the untimely demise of our colleague Keshav and we express our gratitude to those who have reached out to us to express their sympathies.

### OTHER NEWS

We welcome Shoaib Rashid Mirza who joined the team as the Administrative Assistant Manager replacing Hem Nath Mishra





We also welcome Akashmegh Sharma who joined us as a Research Fellow

In light of the global Coronavirus crisis, we wish you safety and good health

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### **COMMENTS?**

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