

Title - ON AIR : WITH DR. AWADHENDRA SHARAN & DR. ROHIT NEGI

- On air was started as a part of Does the Blue Sky Lie? which is a speaker series.
- Does the Blue Sky Lie? is a three year long project by Khoj.
- The series started with its first discussion between Dr. Awadhendra Sharan and Dr. Rohit Negi.
- The discussion took place around the industrial and the colonial history that has influenced the air that we breathe.

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'On Air' is a Speaker Series initiated as a part of 'Does The Blue Sky Lie? Testimonies of Air's Toxicities', Khoj's three-year-long project that explores the troubled ecologies of the air in Delhi.

From early orientalist conceptions that saw dust as a marker of the backwardness of colonies to drawings by British architect Gordon Sanderson that imagined the Qutub Minar as smoke-stacks in the early 1900s, the colonial imaginary has played a large role in fashioning India's atmospheric modernities.

In our first 'On Air' conversation, Dr Awadhendra Sharan, author of *Dust and Smoke: Air Pollution and Colonial Urbanism, India* and Dr.Rohit Negi, associate professor of Urban Studies at Ambedkar University Delhi, will discuss the industrial and colonial histories that have shaped the air we breathe.

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