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# CONTEMPORARY INDIA: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Dates: Monday, 12 September - Monday, 17 October 2011

Time: 2.15 pm - 4.15 pm

Venue: Leith Bowling Club

Enrolments for this course will be limited to 100

Course Fee: \$40.00

Tea and Coffee provided

Course Organiser: Sue Cathro (467 5474)

Course Assistant: Sue Harvey (471 0546)

You may apply to enrol in more than one course. If you wish to do so, you must indicate your choice preferences on the application form, and include payment of the appropriate fee(s).

All applications must be received by noon on Wednesday, 10 August 2011, and you may expect to receive a response to your application on or about 19 August.

Any questions about these courses after 19 August should be referred to the Secretary, U3A Dunedin, telephone 471 9913 or on email at <graysinn@clear.net.nz>

Please keep this brochure as a reminder of venue, dates, and times for the courses for which you apply.

## CONTEMPORARY INDIA: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

This course provides an overview of contemporary India, focusing in particular on several key economic, political and social processes involved in this large and varied country. Each week a different thematic issue is examined in order to provide an understanding of some of the challenges that the country faces in reducing poverty, planning cities, managing the environment and negotiating a harmonious relationship with its neighbours. As a country with a large and relatively young population, India is widely tipped to be one of the emerging powers of the 21st century. However, there are many difficulties, both old and new, which mean that achieving such a transformation will be far from easy. In this course we will examine some possible solutions to these challenges and suggest ways in which a sustainable and equitable India can become closer to being realised.

The course will be presented by Dr Douglas Hill, Senior Lecturer, Department of Geography, University of Otago.

### The Programme

12 September Introduction: India, the land and its people.

19 September Making a living: Rural and Urban livelihoods.

**26 September** The liberalisation era: What's new about the 'new' India?

3 October Scales of uneven development: The challenges of

inclusive growth.

10 October Contesting the environment: Whose forests? Whose

water?

17 October India: In the region, in the world.