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Abstract

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Another India embodies various facets of the decolonization imperative. It summons past episodes and images which have a living narrative and moral presence in the present, but are readily evacuated by social science. Recalling these is to create a wider and more participative conversational space and help democratise intellectual activity. These acts of 'recovery' disclose a variety of humanistic legacies, revise the distortions about history and tradition, and also oblige us to revisit the claims of epistemic discontinuity or rupture attributed to colonial rule. Aligning - indeed, building - intellectual conversations with them integrates scholarly work with the lives of communities by engaging their narrative and philosophical achievements that continue to flow in the present. In short, Another India, explores a few means by which the long cherished and difficult aim of decolonizing social science practice can be aided.

