### Unit Three: Development and Mobilization Narmada in India

Professor Balakrishnan Rajagopal Wednesday October 5th Gateway 11.201

#### "Drowned Out" Screenings

SCREENING ONE: DATE: Wednesday, October 5, 2005 TIME: 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

SCREENING TWO: DATE: Thursday, October 6, 2005 TIME: 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

### Class 1: Planning from Above v. Planning from Below

- 1. Background and History:
- Of India: societal structure and the role of tribals and dalits; caste system; state system and division of responsibilities over river basins; the Narmada valley
- Of development: as ideology; modernity; nationalism; exploitation; technocracy; development and link to colonialism
- Of planning: City and National Planning; contrast American tradition; Planning in a global age
- Of dams: Their growth during the 20th century
- Project background: History; question of who is 'project-affected'; question of land ownership and title and their link to resettlement and rehabilitation.

## (cont.') Class 1: Planning from Above v. Planning from Below

2. Planning from above:

- Institutions inter-State structure
- As technocracy: hydrology and engineering; benefit-cost analysis and post-project evaluation
- As democracy: defining 'national interest'; what is the unit of democracy, of demos, of self-determination?

# (cont.') Class 1: Planning from Above v. Planning

- 3. Planning from below:
- As a critique of democracy: the rise of social movements – new v. old movements; crisis of Emergency and its impact; NBA as a NSM?
- As a critique of modernity: how to be modern and different (Calderon);
- As a critique of technocracy: indigenous knowledge and public speech through protest.