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FOREWORD

Curriculum updating is a continuous process and hence the J&K Board of School Education has brought out the revised curricula for different classes. Social Science is of crucial importance because it helps learners in understanding environment in a broader perspective and a reasonable outlook.

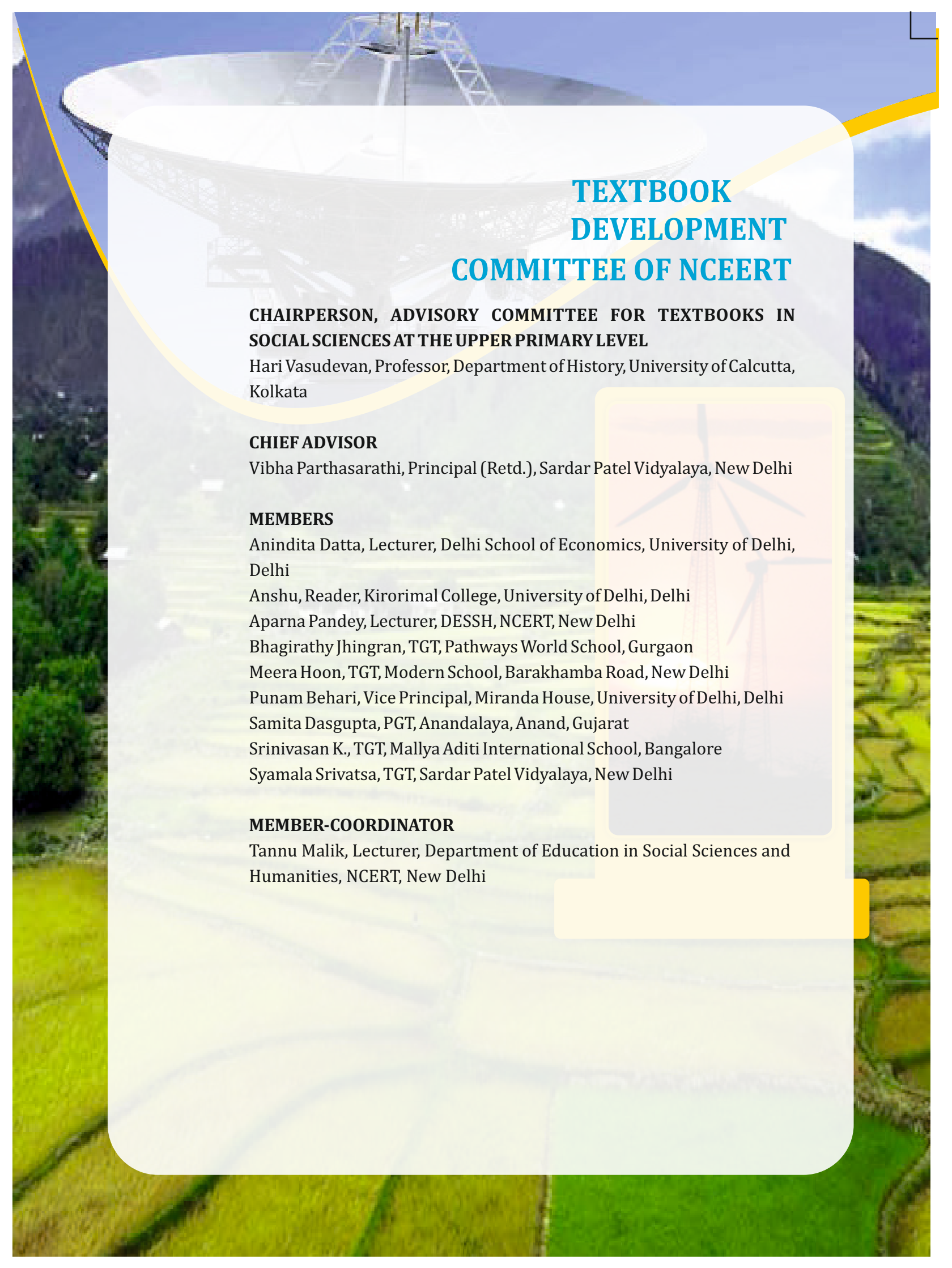
This Textbook of Social Science aims at enabling students to develop critical understanding of society, lay foundation for an analytical and creative mindset. Change in the text book entails the change in the content and pedagogical practice of curriculum. Main objective of this change is to enable the children to understand the society and the world in which we live, as well as, understand socio-Geographical scenario.

In the light of the NCF-2005, the social and physical aspects of the Geography of J&K and Ladakh have been included in the book. It is hoped that through the perception of local Geography, the students are in a position to understand it.

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As an organization committed to systematic reform and continuous improvement in the quality of its textbooks, JKBOSE welcomes comments and suggestions which will enable us to undertake further revision and refinement. I hope this textbook of Geography shall sensitize learners about the Geographical perspective in an explicit manner.

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