

## **CALL FOR PAPERS**

### ***Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa and the Middle East (CSSAAME)***

In response to the extraordinary events of the past few months, the editorial board of the journal *Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa and the Middle East (CSSAAME)* has published an [editorial statement](#). Against the background of the challenges posed by COVID-19 and the waves of social protests against anti-Black racism, as well as the brutal neglect of migrants and laboring populations, it is clear that we can no longer ignore the specters of the past or mute the demands of the future. We are living through a grim moment of global convergences—from emerging contagious diseases, regimes of surveillance, and climate change catastrophes to insufferable forms of social oppression and inequality. As we step into our uncertain futures, some form of collective deliberation and stock-taking seems inevitable.

We would therefore like to invite our readers to share their reflections with us now, too. We especially encourage creative responses, from photo essays, short stories, poetry, or other literary works in translation to more reflective, scholarly, or meditative essays. We would also especially like to hear from people living or traveling through the regions covered by the journal. These contributions may vary in format and length; shorter pieces are welcome. The deadline for submission is **January 15, 2021**.

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