Statelessness and citizenship : camps and the creation of political space / Victoria Redclift

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Abstrak

"This book challenges current views of what it means to be a citizen by focusing on displacement and experiences of space as a political concept. Developing the concept of 'political space', the author analyses how historical processes shape spatial arrangements, informing the identities and political subjectivity available to people. Using Bangladesh as a case study for camp and non-camp based displacement, the book argues that concepts of citizenship are temporally, socially and spatially produced and that therefore crude binary oppositions of statelessness and citizenship are no longer relevant. The book's findings are of relevance to wider problems of displacement, citizenship and ethnic relations worldwide"--Contents Machine generated contents note: 1.Introduction Statelessness and citizenship Displacement and state protection `Bare life' Camps and the creation of political space The historical and social setting Urdu-speakers in national and international law, 1972-2008 Conducting research at the limits of the state 2.Spatial formations of exclusion The state, the nation and its citizens Nationalism, citizenship and the postcolonial nation-state Ethnicity, identity and community 'Diaspora' and displacement Natural, social and `political space' 3. The socio-spatial contours of community **Boundaries** Intersections The socio-spatial structure Conclusion 4. The crafting of citizenship: Property, territory and the post-colonial state Histories of citizenship in Bangladesh Agency, choice and blame Space and `substantive' access Claiming political subjectivity Contents note continued: 5. The `social field of citizenship' and the language of rights 'Identities of citizenship'

Property and citizenship in Bangladesh: past and present Gains and losses A look to the future 6.Discourses of `integration': Capital, movement and `modernity' Economic capital Cultural capital: language Cultural capital: foods, festivals, religion Social capital `Passing as Bengali' 7.Conclusion Nationlist discourse and the `crafting of citizenship' The creation of political space Agents or objects? The camp as a social form Globalising forces and emergent spaces.