

Nitasha Kaul, Indian-Origin UK-Based Professor Denied Entry Into India

Why In The News?

- **Nitasha Kaul**, An Indian-origin UK-based Professor At The **University Of Westminster**, Claimed That She Was Denied Entry Into India And Was Sent Back To London From The Bengaluru Airport Based On **“Orders From Delhi”**.
- Nitasha Kaul Was Reportedly Invited By The Karnataka Government To Participate As A Speaker In The Two-day **‘Constitution And National Unity Convention -2024’** Organised On February 24 And 25.
- According To Nitasha Kaul, She Was Denied Entry Because Of Her Opinions On **“Democratic And Constitutional Values”**. She Also Said The Airport Officials Made References To Her **Earlier Criticism Of The RSS**.
- Asserting That **She Is Not Anti-India But Anti-Authoritarian And Pro-Democracy**, Kaul Said, “I Am A Globally Respected Academic & Public Intellectual, Passionate About Liberal Democratic Values. I Care For Gender Equity, Challenging Misogyny, Sustainability, Civil & Political Liberties, Rule Of Law...decades Of My Work Speaks For Me.”



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IMPORTANT: Denied entry to #India for speaking on democratic & constitutional values. I was invited to a conference as esteemed delegate by Govt of #Karnataka (Congress-ruled state) but Centre refused me entry. All my documents were valid & current (UK passport & OCI). THREAD 1/n

Who Is Nitasha Kaul?

- **Nitasha Kaul Is A Professor** Of Politics, International Relations, And Critical Interdisciplinary Studies At The University Of Westminster In London.
- Kaul Has A **BA Honours In Economics** From SRCC, Delhi University, And A **Masters In Economics** With A Specialisation In Public Policy, And A **Joint Ph.D. In Economics And Philosophy** From The University Of Hull, UK (2003).

- From 2002 To 2007, She Worked As An **Assistant Professor Of Economics** At The Bristol Business School. In 2010, She Worked As An **Associate Professor** In Creative Writing At The **Royal Thimphu College In Bhutan**.



- Kaul Is Also A Novelist, Writer, And A Poet. Her First Book Was A Scholarly Monograph On Economics And Philosophy Titled '**Imagining Economics Otherwise: Encounters With Identity/Difference**' (Routledge, 2007).
- She Is Also The Co-editor Of A Special Economic And Political Weekly (EPW) Volume In 2018 On '**Women And Kashmir**'. Kaul Has Co-edited 'Can You Hear Kashmiri Women Speak? Narratives Of Resistance And Resilience' (Women Unlimited, 2020) And Has Provided Expert Testimony As An Academic At The **US Congress On Kashmir And Human Rights** In The Aftermath Of The 2019 Revocation Of Autonomy For The Region.