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Collection: Racialized Identities and Afghan Refugees in the Global South and Beyond

This collection examines the evolving dynamics of Afghan refugee displacement with a primary focus on the Global South, while also engaging comparative and transnational perspectives beyond it. Following decades of conflict and the political transformations culminating in 2021, Afghan refugees represent one of the largest and most protracted displaced populations globally, with the majority hosted in countries such as Pakistan, Iran, and Turkey. The collection seeks to critically explore how structural inequalities, governance regimes, and socio-political contexts shape the lived experiences of Afghan refugees. It foregrounds interdisciplinary approaches spanning sociology, political science, human geography, public health, media studies, and development studies. Particular attention is given to themes such as legal precarity, racialized vulnerability, labor exploitation, gendered experiences, environmental insecurity, and access to health and education. In addition, the issue invites contributions that examine emerging trends, including digital diasporas, border securitization, humanitarian governance, and the geopolitics of refugee management. Comparative studies that situate Afghan refugees within broader Global South migration systems, or connect them to refugee experiences in Europe and beyond, are particularly welcome. By bridging empirical research with critical

theory, this collection aims to advance scholarly debates on forced migration, contribute to policy-relevant knowledge, and foreground voices and perspectives often marginalized in global migration discourse.

Keywords: Afghan refugees, Racialized identities, Global South, Forced migration, Structural inequality, Refugee governance, Displacement, Transnationalism, Migration policy, Social exclusion

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