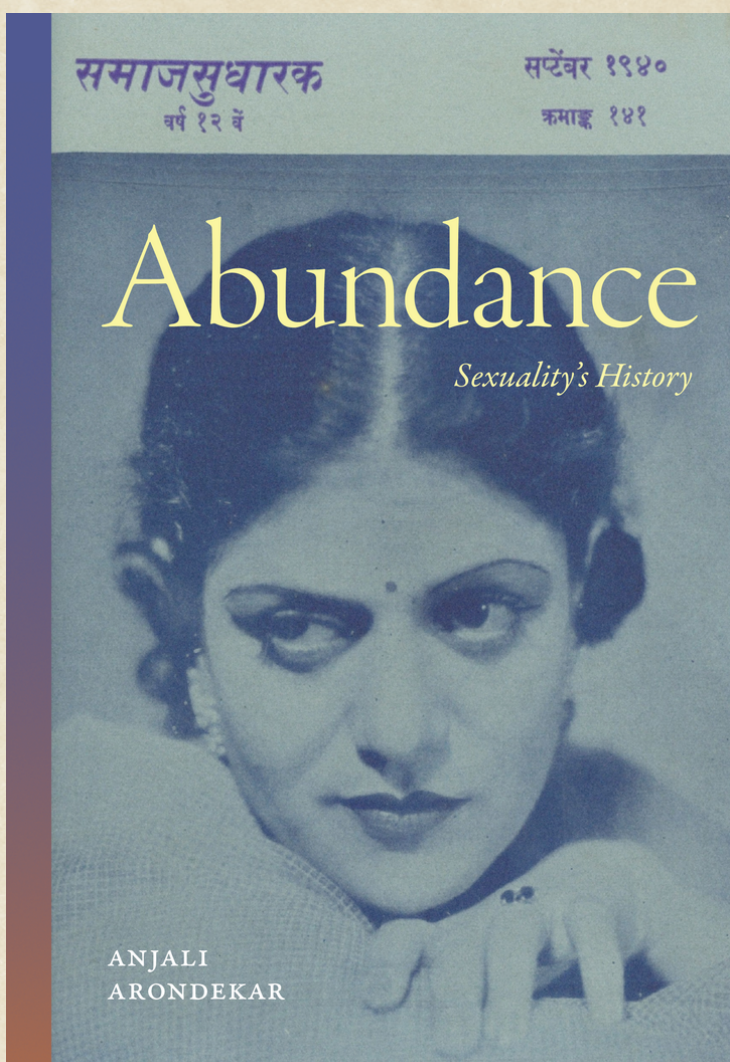


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I AM NOT YOUR DATA: CASTE, SEXUALITY, AND PROTEST

A BOOK TALK BY
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Suturing histories of caste and sexuality to histories of protest in India, this talk rearranges the grammar of our ethical engagements with the past and present. At stake here are the historical vernaculars - the data - that found the evidentiary regimes of rights and representation for minoritized subjects.

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