It gives us immense pleasure to share our journey in compiling this volume *Marginalization in Globalizing Delhi: Issues of Land, Livelihoods and Health*. This journey was initiated with our participation in a workshop organized by the Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies (IHS), in Rotterdam, the Netherlands in 2012, on “Urban Development(s) and Emerging Issues of Inclusion, Governance and Sustainability in India”.

The conference not only enriched us academically but was also an experience, which invigorated and stimulated our minds. The vibrant discussions and exchange of ideas at the workshop culminated in this comprehensive and interdisciplinary volume. During the tea breaks between the sessions of the conference, over the cups of hot beverages of our choices, and while breathing in the freshness of the morning air into our lungs during the walks, we discovered ourselves drawn together to work on this manuscript with a new camaraderie. A realization of common academic interests despite different specializations propelled this idea further. The commonalities and similar interests, which brought us together for this innovative, productive, and memorable journey, have since then multiplied manifold!

Jawaharlal Nehru University is known for interdisciplinary studies. What could be a better illustration than four colleagues with different areas of expertise from two different centers coming together to initiate, develop, and compile a volume, involving young scholars who have worked with them? This is also a reflection of a productive culmination of an academic relationship, which evolved during the shaping of dissertations and theses, in a more innovative and creative way.

This book is a collation of ideas to trigger the discourse on the processes of globalization which a city undergoes to change the dynamics of land, livelihoods and health, with a focus on people at the margins of society.

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