

THE PRIVILEGES AND ANXIETIES IN THE LIVES OF CORPORATE PROFESSIONALS IN DELHI-NCR

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ABSTRACT

This paper looks at the privileges and anxieties in the lives of white-collar corporate professionals in Delhi-NCR. They enter the corporate sector owing to their social and cultural capital. A closer look at the composition of the workforce in this sector points to the exclusion of the vast majority of marginalized castes and communities. However, using a qualitative approach, this paper highlights that lifestyle and consumption requirements create inconsistencies and anxieties in the lives of these people in the context of inflation and insecure nature of contemporary work.

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