

Aziz Choudry and Dip Kadoor (eds) *NGOization: Complicity, Contradictions and Prospects*. London and New York: Zed Books, 2013.

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This book focuses on the process of 'NGOization', namely, 'the institutionalization, professionalization, depoliticization and demobilization of movements' for social change (p. 1) by non-governmental organizations (NGOs). This process arises in and through the interface and relations between movements and NGOs and it highlights the overall system-maintenance role of NGOs. Of course, NGOs may not deliberately seek to depoliticize and demobilize movements. Rather, NGOization may involve the unintended consequences of the logic and dispositions of NGOs as a particular organization form.

In the introductory chapter to the collection, the editors (Aziz Choudry and Dip Kadoor) highlight that the process of NGOization is the dominant trend in NGO-movement relationships, and this is captured in the term 'complicity' in the subtitle to the book. However, in also speaking to the term 'contradictions' in the subtitle, they suggest the context-specific possibility of NGOs, at times moving beyond NGOization and contributing to significant change in a manner that does not defuse movement activity. In other words, there is no inevitability to the process of NGOization and the case studies in the book are designed to show this. In this regard, in the preface to the book, Sangeeta Kamat claims that the case studies 'caution us against easy equivalences between NGOs and NGOization' (p. ix).

There are nine case studies in the volume and these address diverse themes such as biodiversity, indigenous peoples, food systems, disaster relief and violence against women. The specific