Victoria Memorial Hall cordially invites you to a lecture on

**Mahatma Gandhi and the Partition of India**

**Speaker**

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Victoria Memorial Hall
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'The way to work for unity I have pointed out,' Mahatma Gandhi wrote to Sarat Chandra Bose on June 21, 1947, 'when the geographical is broken.' This lecture analyses Gandhi's quest for unity among India's religious communities before and after the announcement of Mountbatten's Partition Plan on June 3, 1947. It follows Gandhi's trail in Noakhali, Bihar, Calcutta and Delhi as he struggled to restore peace in rural areas and cities being torn apart by violence. In so doing, this lecture offers fresh insights into the complex relationship between religion and politics at the transformative moment in modern India's political history.