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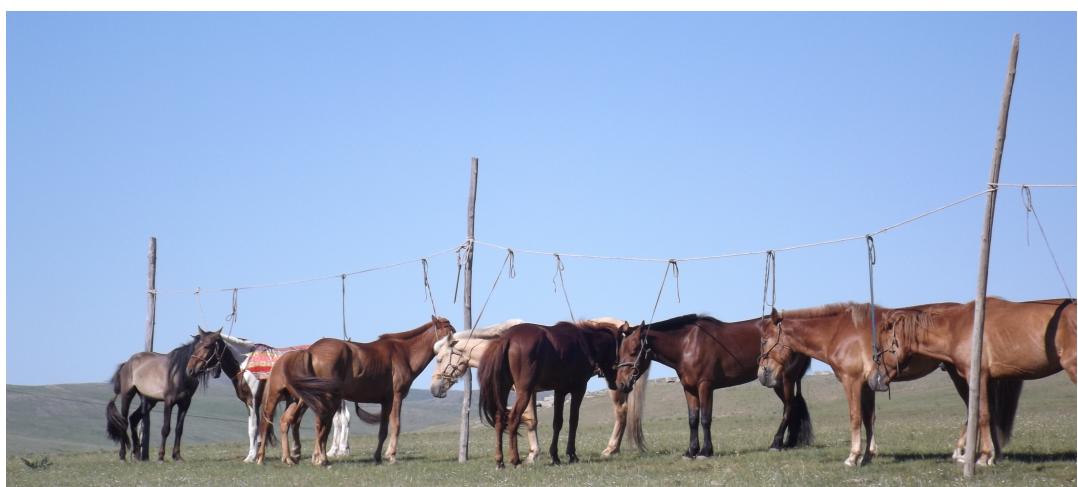
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## **Growing wealth: labour and the making of pastoral economies in rural Mongolia**

The idea of labour (*khödölmör*) has long been important in rural Mongolia. Praised by the country's twentieth century socialist rulers, human labour allows the reproductive potential of livestock to be harnessed by the range of socio-technical practices that make up Mongolian pastoralism. But rather than focussing on technical aspects of labour, this paper considers the moral and ethical potency of labour in contemporary Mongolia. Labour is revealed as a key concept for ethically valorizing productive work and industry, whilst herders considered particularly hard working (*khödölmörch; zütgeltei*) command considerable respect. This analysis is made with reference to processes of livestock accumulation in central Mongolia, in which the results of labour can be translated into material possessions.



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