2 DAY NATIONAL SEMINAR ON

"BORDER DYNAMICS IN NORTHEAST INDIA: CHALLENGES, OPPORTUNITIES AND POLICY IMPERATIVES"

MODE ▸ BLENDED (OFFLINE & ONLINE)

DATES ▸ 11TH &12TH JUNE,2025

VENUE ▸ BAPTIST COLLEGE, KOHIMA

Organized by Research & Development Cell (RDC) Baptist College, Kohima
In Collaboration with Department of History & Archaeology,
Nagaland University, Kohima Campus.

DAY 1 ▸ 11 JUNE, 2025

Arrival & Registration | 9.00 AM - 9.30 AM
Counter 1: Resource Persons & Paper Presenters
Counter 2: Students & Others

INAUGURAL SESSION

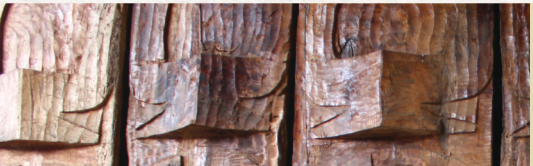
9.30 AM – 11.00 AM | (Rivenburgs Memorial Chapel)

Chair	: **Dr. Sentinaro,** Seminar Convener, Baptist College, Kohima
Prayer	: **Rev. (Dr.) Rachülie Vihienuo** Executive Director, ABCC
Welcome Remarks	: **Chair**

Message from the Collaborating Institution
Prof. (Dr.) Pum Khan Pau
Department of History and Archaeology,
Nagaland University, Kohima

Inaugural Address	: **Vipralhou Kesiezie** Chairman, Governing Body, Baptist College, Kohima
Song	: **Arenchenla Walling** Member of Nagaland Folkloric, TaFMA
Keynote Address	: **Sanjoy Hazarika** Journalist, Author, Academic, Policy Expert, Founded the Centre for North East Studies and Policy Research
Vote of Thanks	: **Dr. Kekuchol Pusa** Principal, Baptist College, Sechü
Rapporteur	: **Kethoseno Medoze** Assistant Professor, Department of History Baptist College, Kohima

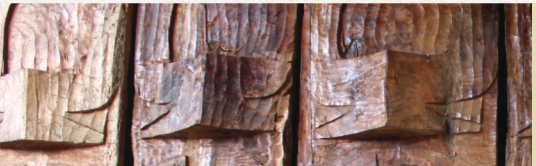
Tea Break: 11.00 AM – 11.30 AM



TECHNICAL SESSION – I

11.30 AM – 1.00 PM
(Parallel Sessions in Room Nos. 11, 12, 13 and IQAC Room)

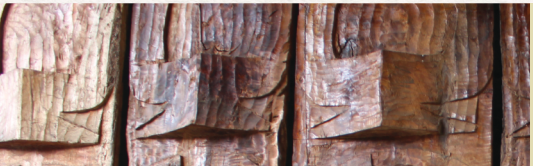
Room No. 11: (OFFLINE) Nationalism, Statehood and Identity Politics in the Northeast	**Room No: 12 (OFFLINE)** Ethnic Diversity and its Role in Border Conflict
Chair : **Dr. Mhonthung Yanthan** Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, St. Joseph College (Autonomous), Jakhama	**Chair** : **Dr. Videkhono Yhokha** Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Baptist College, Kohima
PAPER PRESENTERS	
Rustom Kutum The making of a Non-State Space to a Bordering Space: The Case of Nagalim	**Dr. N. Yanpothung Ezung** Cross-Border Migration and Its Impact on Identity, Security, and Governance in Northeast India: A Policy Perspective
Tawnsuanlal Valte & Sangmuan Hangsing Symbiotic Sovereignties: State and Resistance Among the Transborder Zo People	**Dr. Hiamthuiyang James** The Philosophy of Naga Identity Among the Rongmei in Manipur
Seyiesilie Vüprü The Struggle for Recognition: Understanding the Naga Identity Crisis through Francis Fukuyama's Identity: Contemporary Identity Politics and the Struggle for Recognition	**L. Thsidelong Sangtam** Ethnic Diversity and its Role in Border Conflict with Special Reference to NorthEast India.
Dr. Faith Elwin Kharbuli A Reality that Lingers: A Garo Narrative	**Dr. Tiatula Ozukum** Impact of Conflict on Children and Teachers: Coping Mechanisms and Negotiations
Rapporteur : **Juving Nokhio Lam** Assistant Professor, Department of English, Baptist College, Kohima	**Rapporteur** : **Suvilü Venuh** Assistant Professor, Department of English, Baptist College, Kohima



TECHNICAL SESSION – I

Room No.13 (ONLINE) Role of Civil Society in Peace Building and Their Impact on Borders	**Room: IQAC Room (ONLINE)** Migration, Identity and Livelihood
Chair : Dr. Kewepfuzu Lohe Principal, Baptist College Kohima	**Chair : Dr. Khobu Tsolo** Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Baptist College, Kohima
PAPER PRESENTERS	
Oinam Mitrabati Devi Displacement, Resistance and Peace Building in the Context of Manipur Conflict: A Legal Analysis	**Jane D'Souza, Nima Thendup Bhutia & Tsheten Doma Lamasaa** The Gorkhaland Movement: A Historical and Political Quest for Identity and Recognition
Arica Tamang Women and Armed Conflict in Northeast India: Experiences, Impacts and Contributions in Peace Making	**Lanchalung Gangmei, Gaanpatrei Kamei & D. Ashune** Occupational Structure of out-migrant workers of Manipur.
Khachülo Zehol Kevekha & Dr. Vunlungmawi Touthang Fractured Homelands: A Historical Inquiry into Naga and Kuki Border Conflicts	**Arindam Dey** Fortifying the Frontier: The Siliguri Corridor and Northeast -the Three Front Dilemma of India
Mongolsing Rongphar & Dr. Thejani-i Pohena Inter-Ethnic Relationship in Shillong Times: A Story of Fear and Friendship	**Hamtha Mukholee** Navigating Borders: A People-Centric Exploration of Migration and Cross-Border Trade Dynamics at the Indo-Myanmar Border
Rapporteur : Vesatolu Assistant Professor, Department of English, Baptist College, Kohima	**Rapporteur : Dr. Enünü Sale** Assistant Professor, Department of English, Baptist College, Kohima

Lunch Break: 1.00 PM – 2.00 PM (New Building)

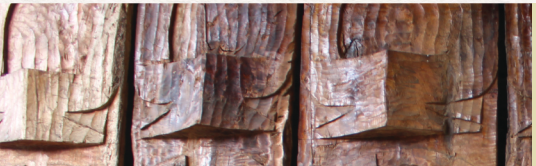


TECHNICAL SESSION – II

2.00 PM – 3.30 PM

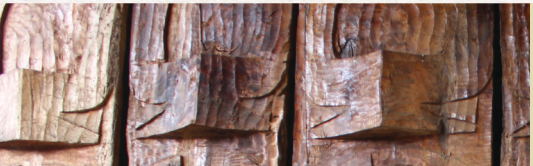
(Parallel Sessions in Room Nos. 11, 12, 13 and IQAC Room)

Room No. 11: (OFFLINE) Oral Traditions and Folk Narratives on Border and Belonging	**Room No: 12 (OFFLINE)** Historical Perspective on Border Conflicts
Chair : Prof. (Dr.) Y. Ben Lotha Department of History and Archaeology Nagaland University, Kohima	**Chair : Dr. Lanukumla Ao** Assistant Professor, Department of History, Don Bosco College, Kohima
PAPER PRESENTERS	
Wechieü Medo & **Dr. Yanbeni Yanthan** Faith at the Peripheries: Examining Chakhesang Naga Ancestral Religion as Contested Space	**Dr. Ketoukhrie-ü** Borderlands as Homelands: Amplifying Indigenous Voices in the Indo-Myanmar Borderlands
Limatoshi Longkumer Folk Narratives, Borders, and Belonging: Oral Histories and Identity Formation in Northeast India.	**Dr. Sentinaro** Women's Voices in Conflict: A Study of Monalisa Changkija's Weapons of Words on Pages of Pain.
Honjem Konyak Multi-disciplinary Approaches to Archaeology of Northeast India: An Overview	**Marcy Lhingneihoi Kholhou** Northeast India in the Contemporary Geopolitical Context: Strategic Imperatives and National Interest
Dr. Ghunato Neho Indo-Naga Conflict: Realities of Human Nature and the Ideological Catastrophe	**M. Abel Lalmuanzova Zou** Negotiating International Border: Everyday life in the village of Zokhawthar (India) and Khawmawi (Myanmar)
Rapporteur : Dr. Visetonu Natso Assistant Professor, Department of History, Baptist College, Kohima	**Rapporteur : Vesatolu** Assistant Professor, Department of English, Baptist College, Kohima



TECHNICAL SESSION – II

Room No.13 (ONLINE) Impact of Border Issues on Trade, Industry, Commerce and Tourism	**Room: IQAC Room (ONLINE)** Environmental and Ecological Impact
Chair : Dr. Tasongwi Newmei Assistant Professor NERIE-NCERT, Shillong	**Chair : Dr. Ghunato Neho** Assistant Professor, Department of English, Baptist College, Kohima
PAPER PRESENTERS	
Nungsangmongla Ozukum Crossing Boundaries: Exploring the Impact of Border Issues on Nagaland Tourism	**Irengbam Dayanishwari Devi** Reviving the Nambul: A Legal Analysis of River Protection Laws in Manipur
Luit Kalita India-Bhutan Cross-Border Connectivity and Infrastructure: Challenges and Opportunities for Northeast India.	**Rani Chyrmang** Environmental and Ecological Challenges in Northeast India: A Legal Analysis of the Right to Healthy Environment
Dr. Muleto Vero Transnational Identities and Socio Economic Realities of Naga Tribes at the Indo-Burma Border: A Case Study of the Konyak, Khiumniungan, and Yimchunger	**Dr. Pinky Sagolsem** Traces of Ethnic Conflict in The Strange Affairs of Robin S. Ngangom by Robin S Ngangom.
Samuel G. Ngaihte Against Manufactured Marginality: Unpacking the Re-unification Telos Driving the Anti-Colonial Resistance of the Zo People in the Indo-Myanmar Borderlands	**Seyievinuo Chuzho** Retelling the Border: Folk Epics and Oral Histories from Northeast India
Rapporteur : Kethoseno Medoze Assistant Professor, Department of History, Baptist College, Kohima	**Rapporteur : Juving Nokhio Lam** Assistant Professor, Department of English, Baptist College, Kohima



PANEL DISCUSSION

3.30 PM – 5.00 PM (Rivenburgs Memorial Chapel)

Topic: Understanding Border Dynamics in Northeast India- Challenges and Opportunities

Moderator : **Dr. C. V. Lalmalsawmi**
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science
Tetso College, Dimapur

Panelists : **Dr. Ujjal Deka Baruah**
Associate Professor, Department of Geography
Cotton University, Guwahati

Prof. (Dr.) Pum Khan Pau
Department of Histroy and Archaeology
Nagaland University, Kohima

Pradip Phanjoubam
Senior Editor of Imphal Review of Arts
and Politics (IRAP) and Author

Dr. Ketoukhrie-ü
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science
Kohima College, Kohima

Rapporteur : **Süvilü Venuh**
Assistant Professor, Department of English
Baptist College, Kohima

DAY 2 ▸ 12 JUNE, 2025

PLENARY SESSION- I

9.30 AM – 11.00 AM: (Rivenburgs Memorial Chapel)

Nationalism, Statehood and Identity Politics in the Northeast

Chair : **Prof. (Dr.) Tiatoshi Jamir**
Department of History and Archaeology
Nagaland University, Kohima

SPEAKERS

1	**Mmhonlümo Kikon**	Author and Ex-Minister in the Nagaland Legislative Assembly	Decolonising the Dominant Narrative: Indigenous Agency and the Battle of Kohima in His Majesty's Headhunters
2	**Dr. Yanbeni Yanthan**	Assistant Professor at the Centre for Naga Tribal Language Studies Nagaland University, Kohima	Between and Betwixt: Naga Folk Culture and the Making of Marginal Space.
3	**Prof. (Dr.) Kedilezo Kikhi**	Professor, Department of Sociology North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong	Contested Cartographies, Oral Narratives, Linguistic Contours and Indigenous Identities in Northeast (India) Borders.

Rapporteurs : **Dr. Enünü Sale**
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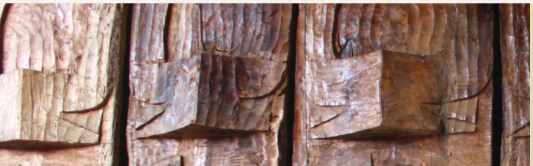
Tea Break: 11.00 AM – 11.30 AM



TECHNICAL SESSION – III

11.30 AM – 1.00 PM:
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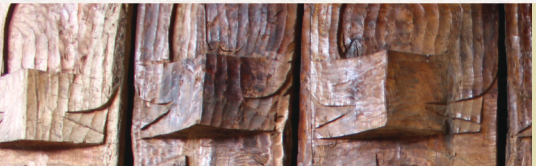
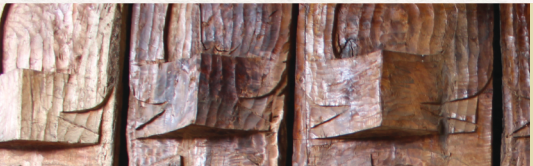
Room No. 11: (OFFLINE) Inner Line Permit (ILP)/ Representation of Border Issues in Literature and Social Media/ Environmental and Ecological Impact	**Room No.13 (ONLINE)** Free Movement Regime (FMR)
Chair : Prof. (Dr.) Nigamananda Das HoD, Department of English, Nagaland University, Kohima	**Chair : Menosele Yhoshü** Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Japfü Christian College, Kohima
PAPER PRESENTERS	
Teisozelhou & **Dr. Kuldeep Singh Panwar** The Inner Line Permit System in Nagaland: Legal Foundations, Constitutional Implications, and Contemporary Challenges	**Lereteu Khutsoh** Re-bordering Indo-Myanmar Borderland: State Security, FMR Suspension, and the Displacement of Naga Indigenous Autonomy
Ena Lyngdoh Analysing the Impact of Social Media on Tourist Behaviour and Destination Sustainability	**Dr. Ph Dale Thro** A Naga Perspective on the Free Movement Regime and Border Fencing
Kevingulie Metsieo Climate - Induced Displacement and Border Tension	**Dr. Lianboi Vaiphei** Free Movement Regime: The Politics of Constructing Borders and the Contestation of Belonging
	Vipechalie Belho The Inner Line Permit (ILP), Northeast's Invisible Barrier
Rapporteur : Dr. Visetonu Natso Assistant Professor, Department of History, Baptist College, Kohima	**Rapporteur : Juving Nokhio Lam** Assistant Professor, Department of English, Baptist College, Kohima



TECHNICAL SESSION – III

Room: IQAC Room (ONLINE) Information and Privacy
Chair : Dr. Hiamthuiyang James, Independent Researcher
PAPER PRESENTERS
Carlos Nongsiej Information and Privacy in Northeast India: Balancing Digital Growth and Indigenous Rights
Michi Rinya & Akash Digital Nationalism at India's Frontiers: Engaging with Arunachali Peripheral Nationalism
Ibansara Mylliemngap Narco-Trafficking in Northeast India: Focus on Meghalaya's Border Dynamics
Rapporteur : **Kethoseno Medoze** Assistant Professor, Department of History, Baptist College, Kohima

Lunch Break: 1.00 PM – 2.00 PM



PLENARY SESSION- II

2.00 PM – 3.30 PM (Rivenburgs Memorial Chapel)

Chair : **Dr. Mimi Kevichüsa Ezung**
Associate Professor of Linguistics,
Department of Tenyidie
Nagaland University, Kohima

SPEAKERS

1	**Dr. Tasongwi Newmei**	Assistant Professor NERIE-NCERT, Shillong	Colonial Cartography, State Formation and the Crisis of Territorial Indigeneity Among the Zeliangrong Nagas
2	**Dr. Atul Mishra**	Associate Professor of International Relations and Head at the Department of International Relations and Governance Studies, Shiv Nadar Institution of Eminence Delhi-NCR	De-bordering and Re-ordering: Reconceptualizing the Northeast

Rapporteur : **Vesatolu**
Assistant Professor, Department of English
Baptist College, Kohima

VALEDICTORY SESSION

3.30 PM Onwards (Rivenburgs Memorial Chapel)

Chair	: **Alito Swu** Assistant Professor, Department Of History Baptist College, Kohima
Guest Speaker	: **Dr. Khriezo Yhome** Senior Fellow and Editor with Asian Confluence Shillong
Opening Remarks	: **Chair**
Report of the Seminar	: **Süvilü Venuh** Assistant Professor, Department of English Baptist College, Sechü
Feedback	: **Participants**
Valedictory Address	: **Guest Speaker**
You Raise Me Up	: **Enibemo W. Kikon** BA 2nd Semester, Department of English Baptist College, Kohima
Vote of Thanks	: **Dr. Kewepfuzu Lohe** Principal, Baptist College, Kohima
Closing Prayer	: **Asilie Rürhia** Assistant Professor, Department Of History Baptist College, Kohima

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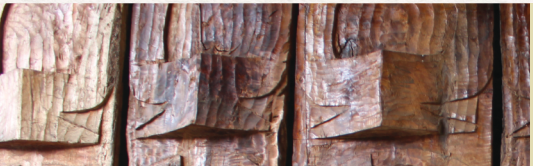
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