



Manifestations of History in the Andaman Islands

June 21 – 23, 2013

Venue:

Internationales Begegnungszentrum der Wissenschaft München e.V.
Amalienstraße 38, 80799 München

Friday, June 21, 2013

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| 12.00 – 13.30 | Registration and Lunch |
| 13.30 – 13.45 | Opening: Johannes Moser, Dean, Faculty 12, LMU Munich |
| 13.45 – 14.00 | Introduction: Frank Heidemann and Philipp Zehmisch, Munich |
| 14.00 – 14.45 | Keynote Lecture: Vishvajit Pandya, Ahmedabad <i>Our Relations with Mr. Portman: Tribal policy and the resistance to history in the Andaman Islands</i> |
| 14.45 – 15.00 | <i>Coffee Break</i> |

Panel 1 - Constructing Mini-India: Postcolonial manifestations of 'Pre-42' communities

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| 15.00 – 16.30 | Session 1 | Chair: Manju Ludwig, Heidelberg |
| 15.00 – 15.45 | Clare Anderson, Leicester | Empire and Its Aftermath: Writing about colonial and postcolonial manifestations of the British Raj |
| 15.45 – 16.30 | Kanchan Mukhopadhyay, Kolkata | Problematics of Identity Formation among the 'Pre-42' Communities of the Andaman Islands |
| 16.30 – 17.00 | <i>Coffee Break</i> | |
| 17.00 – 18.30 | Session 2 | Chair: Manju Ludwig, Heidelberg |
| 17.00 – 17.45 | Samit Ghosal, Nagpur | The Process of Cultural Creolization among the 'Local-Born' of Port Blair, Andaman Islands |
| 17.45 – 18.30 | Palash Chandra Coomar, New Delhi | The Bhantus of Andamans: A study on social change |
| 18.30 – 18.45 | <i>Coffee Break</i> | |
| 18.45 – 19.15 | Evening Lecture: Jamal Malik, Erfurt | <i>Andaman in Muslim Cultural Memory: The case of Fazl-e Haqq Khairabadi</i> |
| 19.30 | <i>Conference Dinner</i> | |



Saturday, June 22, 2013

Panel 2 - Forest Clearance and Place-making after Independence: Colonization and rehabilitation schemes

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| 9.30 – 11.00 | Session 1 | Chair: Richard Janney, Munich |
| 9.30 – 10.15 | Uditi Sen, Amherst, Massachusetts | Developing Terra Nullius: History, nationalism and rival claims on the Andamans |
| 10.15 – 11.00 | Swapan Biswas, Port Blair | Participation of Bengalis in Island Politics |
| <i>11.00 - 11.30</i> | <i>Coffee Break</i> | |
| 11.30 – 13.00 | Session 2 | Chair: Richard Janney, Munich |
| 11.30 – 12.15 | Frank Heidemann, Munich | Spatial Dimensions in Narratives of History: Sri Lankan repatriates on Katchal and Little Andaman |
| 12.15 – 13.00 | Philipp Zehmisch, Munich | Subalternity and Aboriginality in the Andamans: Place-making of an invisible labour force from Ranchi |
| <i>13.00 – 15.00</i> | <i>Lunch Break</i> | |

Panel 3 - Colonial objects in European collections: The ongoing discourse on the Andamans and Nicobars

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| 15.00 – 16.30 | Session 1 | Chair: Katja Müller, Leipzig |
| 15.00 – 15.45 | Lydia Icke-Schwalbe, Dresden | Life and Culture of the Aboriginals in the Andaman Islands under colonial Forestry 1927-28 |
| 15.45 – 16.30 | Carola Krebs, Leipzig | Reconstruction of Andaman Aboriginal Culture in a Museum |
| <i>16.30 – 17.00</i> | <i>Coffee Break</i> | |
| 17.00 – 17.45 | Session 2 | Chair: Katja Müller, Leipzig |
| 17.00 – 17.45 | Claire Wintle, Brighton | Material Histories: Objects and imaginings of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands |
| <i>19.00</i> | <i>Dinner at Frank Heidemann's</i> | |



Sunday, June 23, 2013

Panel 4 - Social and Cultural Dimensions of the Post-Tsunami Period

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| 10.00 – 11.30 | | Chair: Roderich Ptak, Munich |
| 10.00 – 10.45 | Pankaj Sekhsaria, Pune | Washed out Islands and the Defence: A new equation in the Nicobar Islands post December 2004 |
| 10.45 – 11.30 | Simron Jit Singh, Wien | From Trade to Aid: The Nicobar Islands in the aftermath of the 2004 Tsunami |
| <i>11.30 – 13.00</i> | <i>Lunch Break</i> | |

Panel 5 - The Politics of Indigeneity and Conservation

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| 13.00 – 14.30 | Session 1 | Chair: Jens-Uwe Hartmann, Munich |
| 13.00 – 13.45 | Satadru Sen, New York City | Aboriginality and Citizenship in the 'Third World': The implications of the indigenous condition |
| 13.45 – 14.30 | Manish Chandi, Port Blair | Uninhabited Islands and their Re-colonization: Legend and folklore as supplements to history |
| <i>14.30 – 14.45</i> | <i>Coffee Break</i> | |
| 14.45 – 15.30 | Session 2 | Chair: Jens-Uwe Hartmann, Munich |
| 14.45 – 15.30 | Madhusree Mukerjee, Frankfurt am Main | Sex and the Native |
| <i>15.30 – 15.45</i> | <i>Coffee Break</i> | |

15.45 – 17.00 Wrap-Up

- 15.45 – 16.30 Discussant: Madhumita Mazumdar, Ahmedabad
- 16.30 – 17.00 Final Discussion: Frank Heidemann and Philipp Zehmisch, Munich

Monday, June 24th, 10.00 am: Dr. Michaela Appel, Anthropological Museum, Munich

Guided tour of the Oceania section including a display of the museum's Andaman collection