

NEILS 2012

Provisional Schedule

Workshops		
Date	Tuesday, January 31	Wednesday, February 1
Session	WS1a	WS3a
9:00-10:30	Workshop on Language Documentation <i>Stephen Morey and Lauren Gawne</i>	Workshop on Language Documentation <i>Stephen Morey and Lauren Gawne</i>
10:30-11:00	Tea	Tea
Session	WS1b	WS3b
11:00-12:30	Workshop on Language Documentation <i>Stephen Morey and Lauren Gawne</i>	Workshop on Language Documentation <i>Stephen Morey and Lauren Gawne</i>
12:30-1:30	Lunch	Lunch
Session	WS2a	WS4a
1:30-3:00	Workshop on Language Documentation <i>Stephen Morey and Lauren Gawne</i>	Workshop on Language Documentation <i>Stephen Morey and Lauren Gawne</i>
3:00-3:30	Tea	Tea
Session	WS2b	WS4b
3:30-5:00	Workshop on Language Documentation <i>Stephen Morey and Lauren Gawne</i>	Workshop on Language Documentation <i>Stephen Morey and Lauren Gawne</i>

Conference Day 1

Date → Time ↓	Thursday, February 2	
8:30-9:30	Registration	
9:30-10:30	Opening Addresses, Logistical Announcements, <i>NEIL4</i> Book Launch	
10:30-11:00	Tea	
Session 1	Pragmatics, semantics and case Chair: Shobhana Chelliah	Semantics and metaphor Chair: Anita Tamuli
11:00-11:30	Sumi semantic and pragmatic markers: A case of <i>ye</i> and <i>no</i> <i>Amos Teo</i>	An approach of Gricean particularized implicature: The Inao use of figure of speech <i>Surjit Lourembam</i>
11:30-12:00	Clause dependency and the “assertive system” of War <i>Anne Daladier</i>	Conceptual metaphors for LOVE in Assamese <i>Nivedita Saikia</i>
12:00-12:30	A comparative study of the Mongsen and Meithei core case marking systems <i>Atu Longkumer</i>	Manipuri psycho-collocations <i>Surmangol Sharma</i>
12:30-1:30	Lunch	
Session 2	Mind over morphosyntax Chair: Gwendolyn Hyslop	Eastern Indo-Aryan phonology Chair: Ichchha Purna Rai
1:30-2:00	The Conjunct/disjunct system in two Tibeto-Burman languages: Lamjung Yolmo and Sherpa <i>Lauren Gawne and Barb Kelly</i>	Synchronic changes in Assamese: Some preliminary observations <i>Kailash Sarma</i>
2:00-2:30	Evidentiality and aspect in the copular verbs of Khengkha <i>Keren Baker</i>	Dorsal fricatives of Assamese <i>Mukul Sarma</i>
2:30-3:00	Northeast Indian-Southeast Asian connections: The case of ‘give’ <i>Mathias Jenny</i>	Spirantization in Tibeto-Burman- Bengali bilinguals in south of Assam <i>Kakoli Dey</i>
3:00-3:30	Tea	
Session 3	New descriptions Chair: Nathan Statezni	Comparative phonology Chair: Tom Owen-Smith
3:30-4:00	A brief phonological description of Biate <i>Lalremzami Chinzah and Vanlalenglian</i>	Phonemes in Asamiya and Bangla: A comparative study <i>Paramita Purkait</i>
4:00-4:30	Phonology of Khoibu <i>Laishram Bijenkumar Singh</i>	Comparative segmental differences in two dialects of Assamese and Bangla <i>Atanu Saha and Bipasha Patgiri</i>
4:30-5:00	Phonology of Syriem: An undocumented Kuki-Chin language of Barak valley <i>Ashangbam Samani Devi and Pauthang Haokip</i>	Some notes on phonological properties of the languages of Northeast India <i>Tobias Weber</i>

Conference Day 2

Date → Time ↓	Friday, February 3	
Location	Room A	Room B
Session 4	Tibeto-Burman grammar 1 Chair: Ch. Yashawanta Singh	North East Indian phonologies Chair: Surmangol Sharma
9:00-9:30	Predicting reference form: A Pear Story study of Meitei <i>Shobhana Chelliah</i>	Manipuri phonotactics: A study of clusters and syllables <i>L. Sarbajit Singh</i>
9:30-10:00	Morphology of Liangmai <i>Guichamlung Daimai</i>	Phonological system of Inpui <i>Waikhom Pinky Devi</i>
10:00-10:30	Agreement in Vaiphei <i>George Bedell and Khawlsongkim Suantak</i>	Phonemes in Liangmai <i>Ragui Daimai</i>
10:30-11:00	Tea	
Session 5	Contact, convergence and change 1 Chair: Mathias Jenny	Indo-Aryan grammar 1 Chair: Razaul Faquire
11:00-11:30	Phonological changes in the Hindi loanwords of Contact Hindi in Shillong <i>Maansi Sharma</i>	The teaching of initial literacy in Assamese <i>Anita Tamuli</i>
11:30-12:00	Linguistic shrinkage in Lepcha: Traces of language contact <i>Satarupa Dattamajumdar</i>	Syntax and semantics of sub-ordinate clauses in Assamese <i>Bipasha Patgiri</i>
12:00-12:30	Postcolonial indigenous languages and cultural change in Bangladesh <i>Sikder Monoare Murshed</i>	Postpositions in Asamiya <i>Runima Chowdhary</i>
12:30-1:30	Lunch	
Session 6	Business Meeting	
Location	Room A	
1:30-2:00	Publication plans, announcements, etc. Note: Attendance is <u>obligatory</u> if you hope to publish your paper with us!!	
Session 7	Dialectology Chair: Paul Sidwell	Contact, convergence and change 2 Chair: Jyotiprakash Tamuli
2:00-2:30	Dialect variation and intelligibility perceptions among the Tangshang Naga in Myanmar <i>Nathan Statezni</i>	On the common question particle <i>ni</i> , shared by Garo and the Sylheti variety of Bangla in terms of language contact <i>Razaul Faquire</i>
2:30-3:00	“All the same but something different”: ISO language codes and language diversity – the case of Tangsa <i>Stephen D. Morey</i>	Contact-induced changes in Baram <i>Dubi Nanda Dhakal</i>
3:00-3:30	A selection of uncontroversial topics in Mizo syntax <i>Lalnunthangi Chhangte</i>	The variety of Assamese and Tiwa spoken in Morigaon: A comparative study of their mutual influences. <i>Diganta Nath and Manoj Kumar Das</i>
3:30-5:00	Teatime discussion, facilitated by Shobhana Chelliah, Lalnunthangi Chhangte and Stephen Morey: <i>How can linguists fulfil our responsibilities to our employers, to our field, and to the language communities we work with - and survive? North East Indian perspectives</i>	

Conference Day 3

Date → Time ↓	Saturday, February 4	
	Room A	Room B
Session 8	Tibeto-Burman Negation Chair: George Bedell	Category studies Chair: Madhumita Barbora
9:00-9:30	Negation in Rongmei Naga <i>Debajit Deb</i>	Numeral systems in Bugun, Deori and Nocte <i>Madhumita B. Barbora, Prathana Acharya and Sumita Saha</i>
9:30-10:00	Negation in Thadou <i>Pauthang Haokip</i>	Numerals in Kharam <i>Kh. Dhiren Singha & Kh. Dutta Singh</i>
10:00-10:30	Negation in Manipuri <i>N. Pramodini</i>	Adjectives in Dimasa <i>Kh. Dhiren Singha</i>
10:30-11:00	Tea	
Session 9	Indo-Aryan grammar 2 Chair: Runima Chowdhary	Language and proto-history Chair: Tobias Weber
11:00-11:30	Passive constructions in Assam Sadri <i>Lucky Dey</i>	Proto-Khasian and Khasi-Palaungic <i>Paul Sidwell</i>
11:30-12:00	Interrogative sentences in Assamese, Bengali and Hindi: A comparative study <i>Nibedita Sarma</i>	On reconstruction and borrowing in the East Bodish languages <i>Gwendolyn Hyslop</i>
12:00-12:30	Assamese vector verbs: Polysemy in context <i>Jyotiprakash Tamuli</i>	The typological position(s) of the languages of Northeast India, and implications for social history <i>Mark Donohue, Virginia Dawson and Keren Baker</i>
12:30-1:30	Lunch	
Session 10	Tone and intonation Chair: Stephen Morey	Tibeto-Burman grammar 2 Chair: U. V. Joseph
1:30-2:00	An acoustic study of Boro tones <i>Priyankoo Sarmah and Aleendra Brahma</i>	Coordination in Manipuri <i>S. Indrakumar Singh and Ch. Yashawanta Singh</i>
2:00-2:30	An acoustic and statistical analysis of Karbi tones and the mysterious 'mid' tone <i>Linda Konnerth and Amos Teo</i>	Verbal inflections in Kokborok <i>Shyamal Das and Uttam Chakraborty</i>
2:30-3:00	The phonology of focus in two varieties of Assamese <i>Shakuntala Mahanta and Asimul Islam Twaha</i>	Verbal affixes in Dimasa <i>David Bathari</i>
3:00-3:30	Tea	
Session 11	From lexicon to syntax Chair: Lalnunthangi Chhangte	Classifiers Chair: N. Pramodini
3:30-4:00	Pervasive parallelism in binomials (nouns): A case study in Chintang ritual language <i>Ichchha Purna Rai</i>	Discourse functions of classifiers in Karbi: Some observations <i>Gautam K. Borah and Rajuline Akhtar</i>
4:00-4:30	Role of word morphology in relation to syntax: Tai-Khamti <i>Bishakha Das</i>	Shape-oriented Classifiers in the Kamrupi dialect of Assamese <i>Manmee Bhattacharjya</i>

Thanks very much for coming. See you next time!