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Education

Doctor of Philosophy, 2003-2010, McGill University, Canada.

Dissertation: “Protest Networks, Communicative Mechanisms and State Responses: Ethnic Mobilization and Violence in Northeast India”

Master of Philosophy, 2000-2003, Centre for Political Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University

Dissertation: “Politics of Migration in Post-Accord Assam”

Master of Arts, 1998-2000, Political Science, Jawaharlal Nehru University

Bachelor of Arts, 1995-1998, Political Science, Indraprastha College University of Delhi

Employment

Associate Professor, Political Science, Dept. of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT, Guwahati, Assam (April 2017-continuing)

Assistant Professor, Political Science, Dept. of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT, Guwahati, Assam (August 2011-April 2017)

Awards, Distinctions & other Professional experience

Indo-Shastri SMP Grant, Carleton University, Canada, June 2018

Visiting Academic, Murdoch University, Perth, Australia, May-June 2014

Recipient of the Canadian Commonwealth Doctoral Fellowship awarded by the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, Canada, 2003

Recipient of the Merit Scholarship from Govt. of Assam, India for securing 7th position in the Higher Secondary examination (conducted by AHSEC) in 1995

Selected Relevant Publications

Selected Books and Edited Volumes

Saikia, Pahi [Ed] *Northeast in India's Lookeast: Issues and Opportunities*, in association with Jadavpur Association of International Relations, Bharti press, New Delhi, 2015.

Saikai, Pahi. *Ethnic Mobilisation and Violence in Northeast India*, Routledge: London, New York & New Delhi, 2011.

Selected Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

Saikia Pahi, Jugdep S. Chima & Aniruddha Kumar Baro. 2016. Limits of ethnofederalism and local political autonomy arrangements: Continuing violence in the Bodoland Territorial Area Districts of Assam. *India Review*, 15 (1): 136-162.

Saikia, Pahi. 2011. Political opportunities, constraints, and mobilizing structures: An integrated approach to different levels of ethno-political contention in northeast India, *India Review*, 10 (1).

Selected Book Chapters

Saikia, Pahi. 2015. The Political Economy and Changing Organizational Dynamics of the ULFA Insurgency in Assam. In Jugdep S. Chima [Ed.], *Ethnic Subnationalist Insurgencies in South Asia Identities, Interests and Challenges to State Authority*. London, New York & New Delhi: Routledge.

Saikia, Pahi. 2004. Beyond the roots: Undocumented Bangladeshi Migrants in Assam and the question of Ethnic Assamese identity, In Dipankar Sengupta [Ed.] *Insurgency in North-East India: The role of Bangladesh*. New Delhi: Authors press in association with SPANDAN.

Work in Progress or Under Review

Ethnopolitics in India's Northeast Borderlands. Co-author J.S.Chima. Book manuscript in progress.

India-Myanmar Bilateral Relations. Co-author A.B. Raychaudhury. Book manuscript under review.

Media, Protest and Public Policy: Hydropower in Earthquake-Prone North India. Article under revision. With Holli A. Semetko, Anup Kumar.

Beneficiary participation in Local-Self Governing Institutions in India, Article in progress. With Anil Varughese.

Funded Projects/Grants

Campaigning and Influence in India's 2019 National Election, \$30,000 grant from Emory University's Research Council to Holli Semetko and India Election Study (IES) team: Pahi Saikia, Anup Kumar, Jonathan Mellon, Subhasish Ray, Taberez Neyazi.

Campaigns, Media and Influence, Global Initiative of Academic Networks (GIAN) course, awarded by the Ministry of Human Resource and Development (MHRD), May 2016, in collaboration with Professor Holli Semetko, MSc PhD (The London School of Economics & Political Science) MBA (Emory), Asa Griggs Candler Professor of Media and International Affairs, and Professor of Political Science at Emory University, Atlanta.

Building Capacities in Conflict Situations Eastern India, Funded by IIT Guwahati (Completed); Duration, Dec 2011-Dec 2014, Grant of amount \$10,000 USD (approx.)

Decentralization in Assam, Funded by Indian Council of Social Science Research, Delhi, April 2013- September, 2015 (Completed); Grant of amount \$16,000 USD (approx.)

Selected Papers at International Academic Conferences

"Media Coverage of Protest and Contentious Politics." With Holli A. Semetko and Anup Kumar, MPSA, Chicago, April 6 -9, 2017

"Continuous Connectivity: India's Northeast and Bordering Nations." With Holli A. Semetko, ISA, Baltimore, February 22 - 25, 2017

"Asymmetrical Autonomy and its discontents: Experiences from India," New Zealand Political Science Association, Wellington, November 30– December 2, 2015.

"The Campaign and Mobilization in Assam: Between Violence and Movements for Autonomy and Statehood," Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference, March 26-29, 2015, Chicago.

Other

Languages: English, Hindi, Assamese, Bengali

Research Methods: Ethnography, Content Analysis, Survey Research