Dr. Palash Kumar Nath

Engaging Communities: Collaborative Mode of Language Research

Thursday, April 8

10am EST/7:30 pm IST

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Collaborative Efforts in Linguistics and the Department of Romance and Classical Studies at Michigan State University is pleased to welcome **Dr. Palash Kumar Nath** on **Thursday, April 8** at 10am EST/7:30pm IST for a 30 minute Zoom presentation on his research on a shift in the language research model followed by a Q&A. Apart from providing a definitional interpretation of collaborative language research, this talk will deliberate on some of the important aspects of collaborative and community-based language research (Higgins, 2009; Nath, 2013; Rice, 2018). Dr. Nath will share his experience in conducting similar research with endangered language communities from Northeast India and related aspects in the context of language documentation and revitalization projects conducted in Northeast India.

Palash Kumar Nath is a researcher in the field of linguistics and is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Language and Linguistics, in the Anundoram Borooah Institute of Language, Art and Culture, Assam located in North Guwahati, Assam, India.

His focus of research has been documentation of endangered languages, mother tongue based multilingual education and collaborative- and community-based language research in the context of Northeast India. In this context, he has worked extensively with several indigenous communities in Northeast India since 2005.

He has been involved in several international language documentation projects funded by Endangered Languages Documentation Programme, (ELDP), London, Volkwagen Stiftung Foundation, Germany, Foundation of Endangered Languages (FEL), London.

His doctoral research focused on planning and implementation of a mother tongue based Multilingual Education programme for the children in the Singpho community in Upper Assam. He has also helped the Sumi, Tangsa, Rabha, Amri karbi and Adivasiya communities in producing mother tongue literacy materials in their respective languages.

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