Registration Form for the workshop *Performing Identity*

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A. Contact Information

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B. Your disciplinary interests

1. Your basic field of research: **Political Science**

- 2. Your present position: **Ph.D. student**
- 3. Since when have you been working on North-east India? Since my research for MPhil. In 2006.
- 4. Which region within North-east India and which communities living there are of particular interest to you? The present state of Assam and the different ethnic groups like Bodos, Mishings and Karbis besides the Assamese speaking communities in the Brahmaputra valley are of particular Research interest and relevance
- 5. Give a brief description of your current research projects and interests: My current research is on my PhD on the theme of Nature of student politics and the evolution of identities in Assam post the liminal event of Assam Movement (1979- 85) till present times. It's a research on the implications of the ethnic fragmentations of identities in Assam and its peculiar manifestations, as through respective student's organisations, various groups of people in Assam are trying to maintain, assert, and at times revive their specific group identities aimed at negotiating and thereby strengthening their respective positions within the 'opportunity structure' provided by the state, that essentially hinges on the negations and assertions revolving around the definition of the 'Assamese', norms of indigenity and aspirations of 'homeland' and 'territoriality'.

C. Your participation in the workshop

Will you be presenting a paper at the workshop? yesIf yes, the title of your paper: "Divide Assam fifty-fifty"From movements to accords and beyond: the critical role of Student organisations in the

formation and performance of identity in Assam