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Dear Sir/Madam,

The ICHR, North East Regional Centre, Guwahati cordially invites you to the Lecture –XXXVII to be held on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2016 at 02.30pm at the Centre premises. The Lecture will be delivered by Dr. Manjil Hazarika, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Archaeology, Cotton College State University. The topic of the lecture is *Peopling of Northeast India: Piecing together the multidisciplinary evidences*.

The lecture will be chaired by Dr. Sukanya Sharma, Dept of HSS, IIT, Guwahati. Looking forward to your participation and interaction in the programme.

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Topic of the Lecture:

**Peopling of Northeast India: Piecing together the multidisciplinary evidences**

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**Abstract**

Four major linguistic families are found in Northeast India, i.e. Austroasiatic, Tibeto-Burman, Indo-European and Kradai. Previous studies on the population prehistory and the reconstruction of the sequence of arrival of these people of different linguistic stocks have been based on simple philological and ethnographical considerations. The unfolding story revealed by population genetics and the linguistic palaeontology of the different language families turns out to be more complex than previously thought. The present paper aims at a fresh investigation of peopling of Northeast India based on archaeological and relevant multidisciplinary data. The evidence presented in this paper is gathered from archaeobotanical, ecological, ethnobiological, ethnographical, and genetic sciences to inspire an interpretation of the available archaeological data for examining linguistic hypotheses of ancient population migrations and dispersals in this region.

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