Modern South Asian History Research Seminar

Winter Semester 2018-19

Contact: IndianHistory.CeMIS@sowi.uni-goettingen.de Venue: CeMIS board room, Waldweg 26

23 October, 16:15 - 18:45

Rohan Mathews (Göttingen): *Legal construction of welfare in labour law: the case of construction workers*

Medha Chaturvedi (Heidelberg): *The red rivers of India: mining and tribal rights in India's resource-rich regions*

6 November, 16:15 - 18:45

Razak Khan (Göttingen): The making of Indian nationalist Muslim: Politics of modern education, Islam and minority citizenship in the life and writings of Syed Abid Husain (1896-1978)

Maria Pomohaci (Göttingen): "Broomsticks, brushes, and hand-carts": scavengers' strikes in late-colonial Calcutta

20 November, 16:15 - 19:45

Camille Buat (Göttingen/Paris): City, region, nation: locating the 'non-Bengali' in 1950s West Bengal Svenja von Jan (Göttingen): Indian seafarers and Indian agency in the illegal economy of the dock neighbourhood

Michaela Dimmers (Göttingen): Powerful convicts? Convict officials in colonial India.

4 December, 16:15 - 19:45

Vidhya Raveendranathan (Göttingen/London): *Producing the urban coast: masula boatmen and the making of the harbour in nineteenth-century Madras*

Jana Tschurenev (Berlin): Women and social work in early twentieth-century India

Partha Pratim Shil (Cambridge): The structure of the security labour market in colonial Bengal

18 December, 16:15 - 19:45 Modern India in German Archives: A great war in South India

Martin Christof-Füchsle (Göttingen): Two Hanoverian lieutenants in the Tamil plains: the letters of Ferdinand Breymann and the diary of Carl de Roques

Karl Müller-Bahlke/Naima Tiné (Göttingen): *Christian Friedrich Schwartz, the Halle missionaries, and the Mysore wars*

Ravi Ahuja (Göttingen): Towards a social history of war in eighteenth-century South India Commentator: Heike Liebau (Berlin; tbc)

15 January, 16:15 - 19:45

Anna Sailer (Göttingen): European trade unionists in interwar India

Special Session: Reconsidering the history of wages

Catharina Hänsel (Göttingen): *Business and the wage question in India, 1936-1965*

Aditya Sarkar (Warwick): Genealogy of the wage form: interwar bonus struggles in Bombay

22 January, 15:15 - 19:45

Modern India in German Archives: The new projects

Tobias Delfs (Berlin): *German Botanists in and around India and their participation in colonialism* **Reyazul Haque** (Berlin): *Nation, alienation and cinema in colonial India: A case of Indo-German entanglements*

Nokmedemla Lemtur (Göttingen): *Mountaineering as a transcultural encounter: labour and geopolitics in the Himalayan peaks (1920s-1950s)*

Josefine Hoffmann (Göttingen): *Vocational training in the Indian steel and engineering industries: Histories of Indo-German cooperation, c. 1950 to 1989*