



9th November, 2016, 3-6 pm, at the SAI Library, Heinrich-Zimmer-Saal

MY PARENTS' WORLD: INHERITED MEMORIES

Third-generation accounts of the Partition of 1947 from both sides of Bengal

Inauguration of an online video archive of the Goethe Institutes in Kolkata and Dhaka in cooperation with the CSSSC (Kolkata), BRI (Dhaka), and SAI (Heidelberg)



The migration of refugees in present times is confronting Germany with challenges. However, mass migration is not a new phenomenon. How did other countries handle it, countries like India and Bangladesh? How are traumas of dislocation handed down to the third generation? The Project of Excellence „Meiner Eltern Welt“ or “My Parents’ World: Inherited Memories”, initiated by the Goethe Institutes in Kolkata and Dhaka, addresses this question: How do the grandchildren of more than 8 Mio cross-border migrants in the course of the Indian Partition of 1947 deal with this inheritance in the present? The resulting video web archive of third-generation Partition narratives will be inaugurated at the SAI:

3 pm

Welcome and opening notes: *Hans Harder*

Introduction leading to the launch of the website: *Friso Maecker/ Philip Küppers*

A Note on „Erinnerungskultur“ and the Partition: *Gita Dharampal-Frick*

Overview of the project and introducing the website in detail: *Nazes Afroz*

4:30 pm

Comments on the findings from Bengal: *Manas Ray*

Comments on the findings of Bangladesh: *Meghna Guhathakurta*

Conversation between three researchers and one interviewee:

Prama Mukhopadhyay, Sanchita Bhattacharyya, Farhana Razzak, Md. Shahadat Hossain

Comments by the translators: *Max Stille*

Premiere Screening of „My Grand Parents’ World“:

a documentary film by *Supriyo Sen* on the project

6 pm

Reception at the South Asia Institute

