

### Sessional:

#### Introduction to Borderland studies

This sessional paper would attempt to extend an understanding of the introduction to 'Borderland studies' with special reference to South East Asia through the works of William Van Schendel and James Scott. The students would be introduced to a couple of works from both the above-mentioned authors that would help garner a general idea of borderland studies in respect to South East Asia. The sessional would have a more precise focus on the concept of 'Zomia' prescribed by Van Schendel and nuanced much further by Scott in his writings. The materials would be circulated once the course begins and there would be online sessions for discussions on the readings.

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