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SHUTDOWN, SHADOWBANNED, DOXXED:

NAVIGATING GOVERNANCE AND GOVERNMENTALITY IN DIGITAL INDIA

This talk will share the results of ethnographic fieldwork with feminist activists in Hindi- and English-speaking northern India between 2019 and 2013. It offers empirical details on practices of Internet shutdowns, shadowbanning, and doxing, which highlight emerging digital relationships between governance bodies and those being governed. Specifically, the talk will explore how digital governance practices reveal a co-constitutive relationship between the state, corporations, pro-government actors when viewed from the perspective of those who are governed. This governance works through diffused mechanisms that further construct new forms of digital governmentality. Taking social movements as a lens because of their explicit politics of resistance, the talk demonstrates the importance of developing an understanding of governance 'from below'.

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