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Summary of Abstract

Social Media became the hub of hate speech constructs the identity of Indian Muslims as unpatriotic and untrustworthy. This research is an attempt to look at the nuances of Identity formation on social networking sites like Facebook to throw some light over the larger power politics at play in the Indian milieu. This study finds the conceptualization of the Indian Muslims on social media, type of conversations and behaviours on Facebook are related to Indian Muslims and what are the various factors highlighted on Facebook about Indian Muslims. For this study, descriptive research design has chosen and this result in the combination of Corpus-Assisted Discourse Studies (CADS) and topic modelling. The contents of social networking site Facebook have been chosen and to construct the corpus for the analysis, all posts are collected containing the case-incentive search terms 'Muslims' and 'Musalman', in Roman script (English Language), 'Muslim', 'Musalman' and 'Islam' in Devanagari script (Hindi Language) month-wise from January 2015 to December 2015. Only 155 posts and their 319 comments has chosen for study, which has more than 1000 comments.