PREFACE

This is my humble attempt to do a comparative study on Boro and Garo, the two cognate languages of North-east India, on the topic *Boro and Garo: A Comparative Linguistic Analysis*. It is thought that comparative study has its own value and is very important to do such a study on the cognate languages originated from a common origin. Through this study an attempt is being made to show the similarities existing between these two languages in case of phonology, morphology, syntax and vocabulary.

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I do hereby declare that I have not submitted this research work or any part thereof for any degree under this university or other universities or institutions.

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