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BAPTIST COELHO: WHAT HAVE WE DONE FOR YOU?

8 JUNE 2018, 7PM - 9PM
NEW ART EXCHANGE

During World War I, the British Indian Army fought for Great Britain against Germany, for which they contributed a large number of divisions and independent brigades to the European, Mediterranean and Middle Eastern theatres of war. In *What have we done for you?* the role of a soldier along with an invisible entity keeps gradually developing into unusual gesticulations with varied objects that question political dominance and subservience, self and the other. For *Restage*, the photographed body postures of Indian soldiers during World War I are further complicated by proposing what could have transpired to achieve such picture-perfect (mainly orchestrated) moments. The performance confronts the problematic dynamics of documentation and/or propaganda. The two performances were first realised at the Centre Pompidou, Paris on 16th February, 2018.

What have we done for you? and *Restage* will be performed back to back with a break of ten minutes. The duration of each performance is 15 to 30 minutes and will be performed only once. The performances will conclude with a discussion with Sooree Pillay

Baptist Coelho articulates unspoken stories to conjure meaning out of psychological and physical disruptions caused by war and conflict. Through a process of fact-finding and engagement with military and civilian personnel, he investigates issues surrounding conflict, war (and war museums), conscription, commemoration, emotion, heroism, the

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body, race and gender, and explore their complex interconnections.

Image: Baptist Coelho, What have we done for you? (2018) Performance still
Courtesy of the artist, Hervé Véronèse (Photographer), Centre Pompidou, Paris and Project 88, Mumbai



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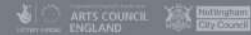
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