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Qualifications:

- Ph.D. awarded from Centre for South Asian Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, 2017. Thesis titled “Socio-Economic and Political empowerment of women in Bhutan since 2008”.
- Master of Philosophy, Centre for South Asian Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, 2011 Submitted Dissertation on “Women in Bhutan: Exploring their Social, Political and Economic status from 1980-2010”.
- Master of Arts, Ancient History, Centre for Historical Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, 2009
- Bachelor of Arts, History(Hons.), University of Delhi, Shyama Prasad Mukherji College, 2007

WORK EXPERIENCE:

At Present: Working as Assistant Professor, Department of History, North Bengal University, Darjeeling, West Bengal since September 2018.

Invited to deliver a lecture for *Refresher Course in History organized by the UGC-HRDC*, University of North Bengal on 6th February 2020.

Worked as Assistant Professor(Adhoc), Applied Sciences and Humanities Department, GIMT, Krishnagar, West Bengal, Maulana Abdul Kalam Azad University of Technology, August 2017-Septemeber 2018.

Worked as an Assistant Professor (Guest) in the History Department, Shyama Prasad Mukherji College, University of Delhi, July 2012-January 2013.

Supervising one (1) M.Phil and one (1) Ph.D. candidates.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

- Ph.D. in South Asian Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, 2017. Thesis titled “Socio-Economic and Political empowerment of women in Bhutan since 2008”.
- Field work conducted for primary data collection in Bhutan as a part of the Ph.D. research work.
- Junior Research Fellow at the Indian Council for Historical Research, April 2014 – May 2016.
- Part of the excavation group on the ancient excavation site at Indorkheda December, 2008.

PUBLICATIONS:

- Buddhism and Society in Bhutan: Portrayal of Women as Moringmo, KerabGu and NangiAum (Full Paper) in “Proceedings of Indian History Congress 2015—76th Session”, Indian History Congress, Aligarh. ISSN: 2249-1937. Page No 678
- Status of women in Tibet and Bhutan: A comparative study (Chapter) in “Mapping Tibet In the 21st Century (The way ahead)” Edited by TsetanNamgyal, Manakin Press, New Delhi. ISBN: 987-93-86221-55-1.
- Women in Bhutan: Exploring their Socio Cultural status in the late 20th Century (Full Paper) in “Proceedings of Indian History Congress 2014 – Platinum Jubilee 75th Session”, Indian History Congress, Aligarh. ISSN: 2249-1937. Page No 920
- Women: Socio-Economic Status (Chapter) in “BHUTAN: Contemporary Issues and Perspectives” Edited by Rajesh Kharat, Adroit Publishers 2015, New Delhi, ISBN: 978-81-87393-08-5. Page No. 267-302.
- **Abstract** published entitled, “Migration of humans, cultural distress and its impact on their cultural landscapes: A case study of the involuntary migration of the ethnic Indians during

Colonial Rule”, in 2nd International Conference, ‘Migration and Diasporas: Emerging Diversities and Development Challenges’ on 22nd and 23rd March 2017, IGNOU, New Delhi. Page No 93

- **Abstract** published entitled “Exploring the status of women in Bhutanese society and polity post 1980’s”, Co- Authored by Rajesh Kharat in National Seminar on *The Himalayas: Climate Change, Land Use Change and Social Dynamics*, 17-18 February 2012, Organized by Centre For Himalayan Studies, North Bengal University, University of North Bengal: The University Press.

PAPER PRESENTATIONS:

- Presented paper on “Buddhism and Women: Exploring the status of Nuns and Laywomen in Bhutan”, in Two day International Seminar on Understanding South Asia and South East Asia: A historical Perspective, May 16-17, 2019, Department of History, University of North Bengal.
- Paper presented on “Impact of traditional socio- cultural perceptions and practices on the status of women in Bhutan”, in Two day International seminar on Language, Culture and Society: Local and Global Perspective, March 27-28, 2019, Centre for Studies in Local Languages and Cultures, University of North Bengal.
- Presented paper on “Migration of humans, cultural distress and its impact on their cultural landscapes: A case study of the involuntary migration of the ethnic Indians during Colonial Rule”, in 2nd International Conference, ‘Migration and Diasporas: Emerging Diversities and Development Challenges’ on 22nd and 23rd March 2017, IGNOU, New Delhi.
- Paper presented on “Buddhism and Society in Bhutan:Portrayal of Women as Moringmo, KerabGu and NangiAum” at the 76th Indian History Congress 2015.
- Paper presented on “Women in Bhutan: Exploring their Socio- Cultural status in the late 20th Century at the 75thIndian History Congress 2014.

WORKSHOPS/ LECTURES/SEMINARS/WEBINARS:

- Two day e-Workshop on Research Methodology and Publication Ethics organized by Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Central Library, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi from October 22nd - 23rd, 2020.
- Successfully completed *One Week Online Faculty Development Programme on "ICT ENHANCED TEACHING LEARNING AND CREATING MOOCs"*, August 18 - August 25, 2020, and obtained grade A+, Teaching Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi And IQAC, Shivaji

College, University of Delhi, Under Ministry of Human Resource Development, Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya National Mission on Teachers and Teaching.

- One day webinar on "*Cultural Dialogue in South Asia and Beyond: Narratives, Images and Community*" organized by IQAC, Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi, India on July 30th, 2020.
- Two days lecture series on *Gendered Society* held on 29th and 30th July, 2020, by Department of Sociology, Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Bihar.
- One day International Webinar on *Rise and Fall of Buddhism in Central Asia* held on 7th July, Central University of Himachal Pradesh.
- 1st International Workshop on "RESEARCH METHODS AND APPROACHES TO MIGRATION AND DIASPORA STUDIES" Organized by CENTRE FOR DIASPORA STUDIES, Central University of Gujarat, Gandhinagar, India. In Collaboration with Centre for Migration, Refugees and Belonging, University of East London U.K. 30th June – 2nd July 2020.
- One day Webinar on "*Colonialism and History of Epidemics: Lessons from the Past*" organised by IQAC and the Department of History, Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi, India on June 8th, 2020.
- One day Webinar on *Pandemic Perspectives: Echoes from Past to Present* held on 6th June, Central University of Himachal Pradesh.
- Invited to deliver a lecture for *Refresher Course in History organized by the UGC-HRDC*, University of North Bengal on 6th February 2020.
- Participated in a Seminar on "Philosophy of Museum Religious Figures and Rajyoga Meditation" Organized by Akshaya Kumar Maitreya Museum, University of North Bengal on 5th December, 2019.
- Participated in a One Day National Webinar on the theme "*Pandemic Perspectives: Echoes from Past to the Present*" organized by the Department of History, Culture and Archaeology, Central University of Himachal Pradesh in collaboration with Thakur Jagdev Chand Smriti Shodh Sansthan, Neri, Hamirpur, Himachal Pradesh on 6th June 2020.
- Participated in a One day webinar on "*Colonialism and History of Epidemics: Lessons from the Past*" organised by IQAC and the Department of History, Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi, India on June 8th, 2020.
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India. In Collaboration with Centre for Migration, Refugees and Belonging, University of East London U.K from 30th June- 2nd July 2020.

- Participated in a one day International Webinar on “*Rise and Fall of Buddhism in Central Asia*” organized by the Centre for Bharatiya Panth, Matt, Sampraday and Semitic Religions, Central University of Himachal Pradesh in collaboration with International Buddhist Confederation, New Delhi on 7th July 2020.

FELLOWSHIPS/ GRANTS:

- Centre for Advanced Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University grant for field study 2014-15.
- Junior Research Fellowship, Indian Council of Historical Studies 2014 – 2016.
- Non – NET UGC, JNU.
- Shakuntala Devi Memorial scholarship Award- 2005, Shyama Prasad Mukherji College, Delhi University.

MEMBERSHIP/ SOCIETIES/ ORGANIZATIONS/ CIRCLE:

- Indian History Congress. Membership No AM-25130
- Member, Equal Opportunity Cell, GIMT, Krishnanagar.
- Member, Kolkata Police Family Welfare Society
- Gandhian Study Circle, Shyama Prasad Mukherji College, University of Delhi, 2006-07.
- Volunteered at the Helpage India, 1998-99, Kolkata.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Member, Equal Opportunity Cell, GIMT, Krishnanagar and conducted a Women Legal Awareness Programme by Officer in Charge, Women Police Station Krishnanagar on 21.04.2018.
- Awarded Field trip grant by the University field trip committee and successfully undertaken the University Ph.D. Field work to Bhutan under taken between 03/03/2015 to 16/03/2015, South Asian Studies, International Studies, J.N.U.

- Junior Research Fellow at the Indian Council for Historical Research, April 2014 – May 2016.
- Qualified UGC NET Exam in 2012
- Second position University rank holder in History 2005, Delhi University 2005
- Shyama Prasad Mukherji College department topper in B.A. History Hons., 2007
- Winner of Inter-school western zone solo Quiz competition, Mumbai 2000
- Second Prize Winner of the Essay competition Organised by the Hindu SmritiDiwas 2011.
- Inter- Hostel Essay writing competition, Ist position, 2010
- Ist prize in school level debate competition, 2000
- IIIrd Prize in Debate in Shyama Prasad Mukherjee College, 2005
- Miss Fresher 2004, History dpt., Shyama Prasad Mukherjee College
- Miss Fresher 2009, International Relations, JNU.
- All India Camel colour's contest Best Entry, 1999 and 2000
- All sections Topper in Hindi, IIIrd std., 1993
- Consolation prize in Quiz, Gandhian Study Circle, 2006-07
- University level dance Competition, IInd position, 2010
- Certificate of Honour in Gandhi Study circle, 2006-7
- Ist Prize in 100 m skipping race, Baton Relay, Dodge Ball, Football(girls) at school annual sports meet
- II nd Prize in 100 m skipping race, 200m running race
- III rd Prize in 100m running race, relay
- Martial Arts demonstration, college annual sports, 2006
- IIIrd prize in slow cycling race, Eco-club, JNU, 20007
- Ist prize, 2008, 2009, and IInd prize 2010, in Inter-Hostel Antakshari competition.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Participated in the National Reconstruction seminar 2008, Chennai
- Co-ordinated the Gandhian study circle tour to Ahmedabad, 2007

- Tour co-ordinator for the annual college trip to Rajasthan, 2007
- Group leader to the MCC cadets in school
- Also sports leader of the house in the school
- Cultural secretary of history dept. in college
- Organized the Fresher's party and the Farewell Party, 2006
- Wrote on Social issues in the college magazine, 2006 and 2007
- Participated in the South Asian Youth meet at Pune, SAYPM 2009
- Certificate of social service by Help age India
- Certificate by International Assessment for Schools (English), University of South Wales
- Anchored the hostel fest, JNU and other school and college level functions
- Delivered many cultural performances at school and college level functions