

CURRICULUM VITAE

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PRESENT OCCUPATION

State Aided College Teacher (Grade 1) in Department of Mass Communication & Journalism in **SILIGURI COLLEGE**, Siliguri (From Jan 2020 to Present)

Research Scholar in the School of Media & Cultural Studies, **TATA INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**, Mumbai. **Ph d thesis submission in January 2022**

EXPERIENCE

Contractual Whole-Time Lecturer in Department of Mass Communication & Journalism in **SILIGURI COLLEGE**, Siliguri (From 2001 to 2019).

Asst. Professor (Adjunct) in the Department of Media Sciences at **INSPIRIA KNOWLEDGE CAMPUS**, Siliguri (from 2015 to 2021)

Asst Professor (Part-Time) in Gyan Jyoti College (from 2005 to 2012)

News Editor, CCN News, Siliguri From 2001 to 2003

Online Business Writer with SIS Infotech from 2009 to 2012

Trainee Journalist with Uttar Banga Sambad group from 1992-94

Freelance contributor to The Statesman from 1995 to 2000.

PERSONAL PROFILE

- Date of birth-13/03/1968
- **Excellent Communication and Writing Skills in English.** Has several publications in national newspapers and magazines (THE STATESMAN, FINANCIAL EXPRESS, Economic & Political Weekly)
- **Experience as a Professional Journalist : 8 Years.** Experience includes stints in both the Print and Audio-Visual Media. **Experience as Teacher in Journalism: 14 years.**
- Independently edited and published a weekly tabloid newspaper from Siliguri in 2001-2002. Is well versed with publication/printing procedure including knowledge of DTP software.
- Has knowledge and experience of documentary film and TV news script writing. I have anchored/ presented TV programmes and shows.

NOTABLE PUBLICATIONS

1. CINEMA IN THE DIGITAL AGE - **Economic & Political Weekly** Vol. 50, Issue No. 4, 24 Jan, 2015
2. DARJEELING IN POPULAR CINEMA: A LOCATION WITHOUT A STORY – Chapter in a book titled “Re-inventing North Bengal”, Siliguri College Publication ISBN: 978-93-88866-00-2
3. TOWARDS A DIGITAL TEACHING ENVIRONMENT: MERITS & CHALLENGES (Co-Authored With Dipjyoti Das) – Conference publication “ICT & Education”, Osmania University 2017. ISBN: 978-1-926488-51-6
4. RETHINKING DEVELOPMENT IN THE LIGHT OF GANDHI’S IDEALS (Co-authored with Samir Saha) Chapter in book titled “Re-thinking the Diversities”, ISBN: 978-93-84671-06-8
5. THE NEWS NEXT DOOR-STUDYING THE LOCAL MEDIA – **Global Media Journal (Peer reviewed), ISSN No: 2249-5835** http://www.caluniv.ac.in/global-media-journal/Commentaries-june-2010/Abu_Mounir.pdf
6. THE CUP THAT’S CRASHED – An in depth- report on the condition of the tea industry in North Bengal – **The Statesman**, February 23, 2001
7. ‘NORTH BENGAL IS FABULOUS’ – Interview with Prof Manfred Draubt of Vienna University – **The Statesman**, February 9, 2001
8. FRESH BREW – A report on the prospect of Coffee Cultivation in Darjeeling – **The Statesman**, August 14, 1998
9. MAGAZINES OF THE MOMENT – A report on the Little Magazine Movement in Kolkata – **Financial Express**, October 28, 1995
10. DANGERS OF MASS CULTURE - **The Statesman**, March 23, 1995
11. THE FRUITS OF LABOUR – a creative piece in the ‘Now & Again’ column of **The Statesman**, March 9, 1995

12. 'ARUNDHUTI-R BOOKER JOY'(Bengali article)- *Uttar Banga Sambad*, November 23, 1997
13. 'BIPONON DORSHON' (In-depth Bengali article on crass commercialization of TV) – *Uttar Banga Sambad*, Nov 22, 1998

EDUCATION

- Schooling from **Goethals Memorial School**, Kurseong, Darjeeling (ICSE) and **St. Joseph's College**, Kolkata (ISC).
- Graduation with honours from **Kolkata University** in 1989.
- Post Graduate diploma in Computer Applications from Lakhota Computer Centre (LCC) in 1992.
- **Masters in Communication and Journalism** from Madurai Kamaraj University in 2005.
- **Ph.D in Media & Cultural Studies** from **TATA INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES, Mumbai**, a premier research institution of the country (thesis to be submitted in jan 2022)

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Was the **Convenor** of UGC Sponsored National Seminar titled "CINEMA IN THE DIGITAL AGE", organized by Siliguri College in March 2013
- Received several prizes/certificates for academic excellence /elocution /essay contests in school.
- Conducted inter school quiz contest on television in 1998.
- Attended a number of workshops and seminars on subjects related to Media and Film Studies
- Cuurently the **Chairman** of the Siliguri Chapter of **Public Relations Councils of India (PRCI)**

INTERESTS

- **Reading, writing, studying culture and society, travelling , meeting people. Writing is my passion**
- **Film Studies: I am interested in serious cinema and try to critically understand and analyse films**
- **Reading: I am an avid reader**

ABOUT MYSELF

I am a keen learner with an open mindset. I love meaningful academic pursuits and look towards exploring life as it unfurls newer, challenging opportunities. I have an alert, analytical mind, an inclination towards methodical work and. My **flair for writing and communication skills in English** has been well appreciated and I have several published articles in major newspapers covering wide ranging interests

Personal Details:-

Father's Name & Profession: **Late S.Ahmed**, Ex- Tea Garden Manager.

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