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AREA OF ACADEMIC WORKS

Psychology: Applied Social Psychology, Health Psychology, Counselling Psychology, Research Methodology etc.

Gerontology (Ageing): Life and Health of Older Persons, Care Practices and Role of Traditional Social Institutions, Living Space & Livelihood Issues, Rural-Urban Migration, Demographic Transition, Disaster & Old Age, Govt Programmes and Policies etc.

Social Medicine (Public Health): Ageing & Health, Child & Youth, Food Crisis & Hunger, Reforms in Public and Private Health Sectors, Workers' and Patients' Perceptions of Private Health Services, Globalisation and Health etc.

Other: Issue of Climate Change, Floods & Droughts, Agriculture, Human Displacements & Development, Rural Employment & MNREGA, Livelihood Issues of Marginalized Majorities etc.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

- **Member UGC Expert Committee:** Special Assistance Programme (SAP) in the subject of Psychology (Sept 2006).
- **Chief Editor:** proposed 'Indian Journal of Social Justice & Equity' nominated by Yashwantrao Chavan Academy of Development Administration (YASHADA), Pune (March 2006).
- **United Nations Fellowship:** International Institute of Ageing- United Nations, Malta; International Training Programme on Social Gerontology (Feb 06-18, 2005).
- **Post Doctoral Fellowship:** Department of Sociology, University of Pune, U. G. C. DSA III Programme (Aug 2003 to Dec 2003).
- **Nehru Memorial Doctoral Scholarship:** Jawaharlal Nehru Memorial Fund, Tin Murti House, New Delhi (Jan 2001- Aug 2002).

FOREIGN VISITS

- Malta in 2005: International Institute of Ageing- United Nations, Malta for International Training on Social Gerontology. Feb 06, 2005- Feb 18, 2005.
- Finland in 2010: Siemenpuu Foundation, Helsinki for International Seminar of Human Displacements, Siemenpuu Foundation Partners' Meetings and Future Policy Discussion on Ecological Crisis. June 08, 2010- June 14, 2010.

EDUCATION

- **Ph. D. in Social Medicine**, Centre of Social Medicine and Community Health, JNU, New Delhi (2002). Thesis: *Significance of Traditional Social Institutions for the Elderly in the Changing Context of Rural Gopalganj, Bihar*.
- **M. Phil. in Social Medicine**, Centre of Social Medicine and Community Health, JNU, New Delhi (1997). Dissertation: *A study of Life and Health of the Aged in Gopalganj District of Bihar*.
- **M. A. in Applied Psychology**, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi (1994). Dissertation: *Self Esteem and Death Anxiety: A Comparison of Hindu, Muslim, Sikh and Christian Aged*.
- **B. A. Honours in Psychology**, Rajendra College, Chapara, University of Bihar, Muzaffarpur, Bihar (1991).
- **National Education Test for Lectureship (NET)** in Psychology, UGC, New Delhi (Dec 1999).
- **International Training in Social Gerontology**, International institute of Ageing- United Nations, Malta (2005).

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- **Reader:** Department of Psychology, Ravenshaw University, Cuttack, Orissa (Aug 19, 2010- till date).
- **Programme Coordinator:** South Asian Dialogues on Ecological Democracy (SADED), a project at Centre for the Study of Developing Societies (CSDS), Rajpur Road, Delhi (March 21, 2009- August 17, 2010).
- **Researcher:** Jobs with Justice, Washington DC, USA; India Office: Society for Labour and Development, New Delhi (July 15, 2008- March 15, 2009).
- **Lecturer in Psychology:** Maniben Nanavati Women's College, Mumbai (Aug 01, 2007- April 02, 2008).
- **Senior Researcher:** Centre for Enquiry into Health and Allied Themes (CEHAT), Mumbai (April 09, 2007- July 26, 2007).
- **Lecturer in Psychology:** SNDT Women's University, Mumbai (Dec 23, 2003- March 31, 2007).
- **Post Doctoral Fellow:** Department of Sociology, University of Pune (Aug 7, 2003- Dec 22, 2003).
- **Lecturer:** Unit for Child and Youth Research, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai (Aug 26, 2002- July 25, 2003).
- **Research Officer:** Help Age India, New Delhi (Dec 01, 1998- May 31, 1999).

PUBLICATIONS

Research Articles in Refereed Journals

- *Social Situation of Elderly in India* in Ageing and Society: The Indian Journal of Gerontology, vol. XV, No. I & II, Jan- March, April- June 2005, Kolkata, India.

- *Are the Elderly a Burden? : An Examination of their Condition in Rural Bihar* in MAN IN INDIA, Vol. 80, No. 1&2, Jan-June 2000. pp. 195-213, Ranchi, India.
- *Indian Elderly among Marginal Sections: Programmes and Policies in the Era of Globalisation* published by eSocial Sciences, Mumbai, India (8/2/2007) <http://www.esocialsciences.com>

Research Articles under Preparation

- *Changing Role and Relations of Younger Generation to the Elderly: An Analysis of Intergenerational Bonds and Family Dynamics in Rural Bihar* (manuscript is ready).
- *Psychology in the Era of Globalisation: Issues and Challenges* (draft is ready).
- *Challenges of the 21st Century and Role of Psychology: Indian Context* (Draft ready). This paper was to be presented at XXth Annual Conference of National Academy of Psychology (NAOP), 2010; Jawaharlal Nehru University. Dec 12-15, 2010.

Articles in Edited Books: *International*

- *Aging and Care Practices in India*, in *India Readers* (ed), the Lyceum Books Inc, Chicago USA. (In the Press, Copyright agreement has been signed).

Book Reviews: National

- *Psychology in Human and Social Development: Lessons from Diverse Cultures: A Festschrift for Durganand Sinha* by John W. Berry, R.C. Mishra and R.C. Tripathi (Eds) 2003, New Delhi in INDIAN JOURNAL OF SOCIAL WORK, Vol. 64, Issue 4, Oct 2003; pp: 579- 81; Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai, India.

Conference papers: International

- *Social Situation of Elderly in India* at International Institute of Ageing- United Nations, Malta. (As a Country Report on Older Persons from India), February 06 - 18, 2005.

Conference papers: National

- *Role of Psychology in Developing Multicultural Social Perspectives in India* at an Interdisciplinary Workshop on Psycho-Social Perspectives of Multiculturalism, Organised by Dept of Applied Psychology, Univ. of Mumbai, India. March 14, 2006.
- *Role of Psychology in Nation Building and Social Development: A Critical Analysis* the 18th Annual Conference of Marathi Manasshastra Parishad (Maharashtra Psychological Council), Navi Mumbai, India. December 29-31, 2003.
- *The Problems of the Aged in India: Are Old Age Homes the Solutions?* First Conference of Behavioural Scientists, Agra, India. October 2-3, 1999.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

- *Disaster, Hunger and Old Age: Role of State and Civil Society In Care Of the Elderly in Rural North Bihar*, proposal submitted for General Research Fellowship, ICSSR, New Delhi. Aug 02, 2010.
- South Asian Dialogues on Ecological Democracy: A project of issues of climate change, degradation of natural resources, disasters, issues of livelihoods of the marginalised majority in South Asian Regions, at CSDS, Delhi. March 21, 2009- Aug 17, 2010.

- *India's Health Care in a Globalized World: Workers' and Patients' View of Delhi Private Health Services*, Jobs with Justice, Massachusetts Avenue, Washington DC, USA; India Office: Society for Labour and Development, New Delhi. July 15, 2009- March 15, 2010.
- *Fostering Reforms in Public and Private Health Sectors in India*, sponsored by International Development Research Centre (IDRC), Canada at CEHAT, Mumbai. April 2007- July 26, 2007.
- *Impact of Poverty and Deprivation on Personality Development and Suitability of Employment...* Final proposal submitted to the Yashwantrao Chavan Academy of Development Administration (YASHADA), Pune. Jun 2006.
- *Indian Elderly among Marginal Sections: Programmes and Policies in the Era of Globalisation* Post Doctoral Research, Department of Sociology, University of Pune, India. Aug 2003- Dec 2003. Published in *eSocial Sciences* <http://www.esocialsciences.com>
- Worked with Project Director in *An Evaluation of Post Matric Scholarship for Scheduled Castes in Rajasthan*. Sponsored by Ministry of SJE, Govt of India, New Delhi. Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai. Jan- June 2003.
- *Living Conditions of Older People in Human Settlements*. Sponsored by the United Nations, Help Age India, New Delhi. May 1999.

INVITED LECTURES / VISITING FACULTY

- *Ageing and Care Practices in India* for the students of Loyalla College of Social Work, Loyalla University, Chicago USA; June 13, 2008 through video conferencing. Further invited for the collaborative research and teaching on Ageing in India and Latin America USA (The text is under pub in edit book by Lyceum Books Inc, Chicago USA).
- As visiting faculty taught *Psychology for Social Workers* to MSW students, Belapur, Navi Mumbai Centre of the Tilak Maharashtra Vidyapith, Pune. Aug 2007- Feb 2008.
- *Research Methods* for Psycho-Social Factors behind Divorce in Mumbai, Bandra Family Court, Mumbai. March 13, 2008.

WORKSHOPS /TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANISED

- As Coordinator of South Asian Dialogues on Ecological Democracy (SADED) at CSDS, Delhi organised nearly 35 dialogues, consultations, workshops, conferences, seminars etc on the issues of climate change, food and hunger, floods, natural disasters, migration of rural population, livelihood issues of the marginalised majorities, mining, displacements, public health etc between March 21, 2009- August 17, 2010 along with other colleagues and organisations.
- *People, Floods and Governance: A Consultation*. Organised in Collaboration of A N Sinha Institute of Social Studies, Patna; Aman Trust, New Delhi and SADED-CSDS, Delhi at A N Sinha Institute of Social Studies, Patna. May 29-30, 2010.
- Three-day Training Programme on *Self Hypnosis* for Post Graduate Students of Counselling and Clinical Psychology, University Department of Psychology, SNDT Women's University, Churchgate, Mumbai. March 19-21, 2006.

- Three-day Training Programme on AIDS Counselling, for Post Graduate Students of Counselling and Clinical Psychology, University Department of Psychology, SNDT Women's University, Churchgate, Mumbai. March 05-07, 2005.
- One-day International Workshop on Care of Elderly in Rural Society of the Third World at World Social Forum, Mumbai, India. Jan 18, 2004.
- Two-day workshop on Marginalized Youth in India: Issues and Challenges, at Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai, India. January 2-3 2003.

PARTICIPATED IN RECENT SEMINARS/CONFERENCES

- National Seminar on Social Movement in Contemporary India, India International Centre, New Delhi. Organised by Council for Social Development, New Delhi. July 15-16, 2010.
- National Workshop on Understanding Social Exclusion: Concepts, Methods and Issues. Organised by Programme for the Study of Discrimination and Exclusion, SSS, JNU, New Delhi. Feb 26-28, 2009.
- Workshop on Health System Development under NRHM: Meeting the Challenges of Integration. Organised by the NHSRC and CSMCH JNU, SSS Comm. Room, JNU, New Delhi. August 18-19, 2008.
- FICCI HEAL 2008 Fostering Quality Health Care for All, Federation House, FICCI, Tansen Marg, New Delhi. Aug 07-08, 2008.
- Consultation Meet on NRHM Common Review Mission Report, NHSRC, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare and School of Health System Studies, TISS; at TISS Mumbai. June 19 – 20, 2008.

MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

- Life Member: Bombay Psychological Association, Mumbai, India
- Member: Counsellors Association of India, Mumbai, India
- Member: Research Committee, South Asian Dialogues on Ecological Democracy (SADED) New Delhi, India
- Member: Working Group 'People's SAARC' on 'Climate Justice and Climate Crisis' in behalf of South Asian Dialogues on Ecological Democracy (SADED) from India.