

Curriculum Vitae

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1. **Academic Distinctions:** M.A. (Gold Medalist) (1981-83), M. Phil. (1984-85) and Ph. D. (1992) (all from Sambalpur University), Fellow, Indian Institute of Advanced Study, Simla (1996-98), Senior Fellow, Ministry of Culture, Government of India (2008-10).

Honorary Fellow, Ancient Sciences and Archaeological Society of India, Mysore.

Participated in one Orientation Course (Utkal University) and two Refresher Courses (Sambalpur University and Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan).

Published two books and more than thirty research papers.

Manuscript of a book is ready to go to the press shortly.

Delivered an endowment lecture for Place Names Society of India at Sri Sailam (A.P.) in December, 1998.

General President of the 30th Session of the Place Names Society of India held at Aurangabad in February, 2010.

2. **Subject Area Expertise:** Ancient Indian History, Culture and Archaeology with special interest in Epigraphy and Palaeography.
3. **Papers Published in last five years (2005-10):**
 1. "Kings, Rituals and Brahminical Surnames in Orissa", Ku. Si. Haridas Bhat Endowment Lecture delivered at Sri Sailam, December 1998, *Studies in Indian Place Names*, vol. XXV, Mysore, 2005, 23-90.
 2. "Symbols and Syllables: Understanding the Origin and Development of the Brahmi Numerals", *Studies in Indian Epigraphy*, vol. XXXI, Mysore, 2005, 76-107.
 3. "Symbol Formation in Brahmi: Construction of an Alternative Paradigm", *Journal of the Ancient Sciences and Archaeological Society of India*, vol. 1, Delhi, 2005, 256-64.

4. "Contributions of Dr. Sarat Chandra Behera to Orissan Historiography", S.C. Padhy (ed.), *Historians and Historiography Twentieth-Century Orissa*, Delhi, 2007, 56-65.
5. "Ancient Methods of Preserving Copper Plate Grants", *Indian Journal of History of Science*, 43.2, June 2008, 265-76.
6. "Brahminical Immigration to Orissa from South India", *The Journal of Orissan History*, vol. XXI, December 2008, 94-99.
7. "The Gift after Purchase in the Inscriptions of Early Medieval Orissa, *Studies in Indian Epigraphy*, vol. XXXIV, Mysore, 2009, 146-57
8. "Toponymy of Villages of Puri District", *Studies in Indian Place Names*, vol. XXVIII, Mysore, 2009, 99-107.

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