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A. Qualification:

- **2001-2005:** PhD, Jadavpur University, Kolkata
Dissertation: *Philosophical Consideration of Some Current Environmental Issues*
Adjudicators-
 1. Prof. Brinda Dalmia, University of Hawaii at Manoa and
 2. Late Prof. Pabitra Kumar Roy, University of North Bengal
- **1998-2000:** M.Phil, Jadavpur University, Kolkata
Dissertation: *Man and Nature*
Adjudicator - Late Prof. Dikshit Gupta, University of Calcutta
Other subjects taken: Applied Philosophy, Analytic Philosophy, Epistemology (Indian and Western) *Nyaya* and *Sankhya* Philosophy
- **1995-1997:** M.A, First Class , Utkal University, Bhubaneswar
Specialization: Meta-ethics and Philosophy of Religion
Subjects taken: Indian Philosophy, Ethics, Continental Philosophy and Logic
- **1992-1995:** B.A (Hons. in Philosophy) First Class, Udala College, Utkal University,
- **1990- 1992:** Higher Secondary, C.H.S.E, Bhubaneswar
- **1990:** Matriculation, B.S.E, Bhubaneswar

B. Specialization: Practical Ethics, Philosophy of Religion, Meta-Ethics, and Western Epistemology.

C. Area of Interest: *Dharmaśāstra* and *Itihāsa*, Indian Philosophy, History of Western Philosophy and Virtue Ethics

D. Awards and Achievements:

- **2000-2003** :Junior Research Fellowship by ICPR, Govt. of India, New Delhi (www.icpr.in)
- **2004-2005:** Project Fellow, Centre for Cognitive Science, Jadavpur University
- **2016-2018:** Associateship, Indian Institute of Advanced Studies, Shimla. (www.iias.ac.in)
- **2021:** International Award for Excellence in Higher Education in the discipline of Humanities and Social Sciences by VIF.
- **2022:** Nominated for Global Faculty Award by AKS Foundation, Gurugram-122001, (Nomination ID - GFA22IN0154).
- **2022:** Visiting Professor, Department of Education, University of North Bengal.

E. Teaching Experience:

- Assistant Professor in Philosophy at Coochbehar College by *West Bengal College Service Commission* from 2005 to 2007
- Assistant Prof. (Stage-II and III) in the Dept. of Philosophy, University of North Bengal from February, 2007
- Associate Professor in the Dept. of Philosophy, University of North Bengal, from 2017
- Professor of Philosophy in the Dept. of Philosophy, University of North Bengal from 2020

F. Teaching Courses:

- Philosophy of Religion - PG1st Semester
- Western Epistemology - PG 2nd Semester
- Applied Ethics - I – PG 3rd Semester
- Applied Ethics - II (Recent developments and contemporary issues)-Special Paper, PG 4th Semester
- M.Phil 1st Semester/PhD Course Work: Basic Computer Applications and Basic Technique for Dissertation/Thesis Preparation
- Epistemology-II (Course-III, Part-II, 2nd half) - M.Phil 2nd Semester

G. Research Experience & Training:

- **Post Doctoral:** NA
- **Ph.D Awarded:** 03
- **Ph.D Submitted:** 01
- **Ph.D Registered:** 05
- **M. Phil: Awarded:** 03
- **M. Phil Registered:** 01

H. Research Projects carried out: 06 (UGC and NBU Funded)

I. Publications:

i. Books:

1. Jointly edited a volume entitled: *Moral Language: East and West*, Northern Book Centre, New Delhi, (NBU studies in Philosophy-15) 2010, (ISBN: 81-7211-287-4)
2. Jointly edited a volume entitled: *Phenomenological Meaning* Northern Book Centre, New Delhi, (NBU studies in Philosophy-22) 2014. (ISBN: 81-7211-334-x)
3. *Current Environmental Issues and Philosophy* Northern Book Centre, New Delhi. (forthcoming)

iii.. Papers in Journals, Proceedings and Edited Volumes: 47

iv. Number of Reviews and Critical Comments for National and International Contributions: 14

v. PhD thesis Examined:

1. *Punishment: A Critical Study of the Ethical Theories* submitted to Assam University, Silchar, 2018.
2. *The Critical Analysis of Karma in Therāvāda Buddhist Philosophy* submitted to Acharya Nagarjuna University, Guntur, AP, 2019.
3. *The Concept of Interculturality in the Philosophy of Rabindranath Tagore* submitted to Assam University, Silchar, 2020.
4. *The Ideal of Sthita-Prajña and its Relevance* submitted to Andhra University, Visakhapatnam, 2020.
5. *The Concept of Non-Violence From Classical to Contemporary Society: in Buddhist Philosophical Understanding* submitted to Acharya Nagarjuna University, Guntur, 2020

6. *The Moral Degradation and Dread in Therāvāda Buddhist Philosophical Perspective* submitted to Acharya Nagarjuna University, Guntur, 2021
7. *The Intellectual Relation Between Wise and Wisdom in the Contemporary Buddhist World* submitted Acharya Nagarjuna University, Guntur, 2021
8. *A Study of The Essence of Indian Philosophy with Special Reference to Psychological Views on Ethical Idealism of Buddhism* submitted to Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirapalli, Tamilnadu, 2021
9. *The Moral Philosophy for Householders in the Contemporary Therāvāda Society* submitted to Acharya Nagarjuna University, Guntur, 2021.
10. *The Absolute and Its Realisation in the Philosophy of Shankara-An Investigation* submitted to Gauhati University, 2022

vii. M. Phil Dissertation Examined:

1. *Moral Reasoning* submitted to Jadavpur University, Kolkata, 2011.
2. *Conceptualizing Transgender Rights: Analysis of Personhood and Identity* submitted to University of Delhi, December, 2018.
3. *Ecology and Environment: Ethical Approaches* submitted to University of Gour Banga, Malda, 2020.
4. *Shushanaer Haal Hakikat: Prachina Greece and Prachina Bharatiya Oitihya Abalambane Ekti Samiksha (সুশাসনরে হালহককিত : প্রাচীন গ্রীস ও প্রাচীন ভারতীয় ঐতিহ্য অবলম্বনে একটি সমীক্ষা)* submitted to Jadavpur University, November, 2020.
5. *Jati, Varna o Lingabaishamya: Prachya o Paschatyer Tulanamulak Alochana* submitted to West Bengal State University, January 2021
6. *Marxist Naribad: Ekti Paryalochona (Marxist Feminism: Some Observations)* submitted to Burdwan University, January 2022.

viii. Number of presentations in International Seminars/Conferences: 8

Number of presentations in National Seminars/Webinars/Conferences: 65

J. Number of presentations as Resource Person in Orientation Programmes, FIP, Refresher Courses (UGC-HRDC), Winter Schools, and Periodical/Special Lectures (ICPR): 50

K. Participation in Refresher Course/ National Workshop:

1. UGC-ASC, sponsored 17th Refresher Course in *Cotemporary Philosophy: East and West* at Dept. of Philosophy, University of Calcutta, 2008.
2. UGC-ASC, sponsored Refresher Course in *Applied Ethics* at Dept of Philosophy, Jadavpur University, 2009.
3. ICPR sponsored ten days National Workshop on *Advaitasiddhi* at Academic Centre of ICPR, Lucknow, 2015.

L. Seminars/Refresher Course/ Workshop Coordinated:

- a. UGC sponsored one day Seminar on Contemporary Issues in Applied Ethics on 20th August 2010, in the Dept. of Philosophy, University of North Bengal.
- b. National Seminar on Postmodern Paradigms in Philosophy from 13th to 14th February, 2014, in the Dept. of Philosophy, University of North Bengal sponsored by SAP (DRS-II) of UGC.
- c. National Seminar on Philosophy of Religion: Conflicts and Perspectives from 27th to 29th November, 2014, in the Dept. of Philosophy, University of North Bengal sponsored by ICPR, New Delhi.

- d. World Philosophy Day, 2015 by ICPR, New Delhi and NBU on 1st December 2015.
- e. Jointly coordinated UGC-HRDC sponsored Refresher Course in *Studies in Peace & Conflict*, from 3rd to 23rd January 2017 at University of North Bengal.
- f. Organized a half day workshop on 159 numbers of free online courses jointly with IIT, Kharagpur on 3rd August, 2017 as Registrar (Officiating), NBU.
- g. Jointly coordinated a National Seminar on Moral Language from 13th to 14th February, 2019, in the Dept. of Philosophy, University of North Bengal sponsored by SAP (DRS-III) in Philosophy of UGC.
- h. Jointly coordinated a National Webinar on Philosophy of Yoga in 21st Century on 2nd July, 2020, in the Dept. of Philosophy, University of North Bengal sponsored by sponsored by ICPR, New Delhi.
- i. Convener/Moderator of Series of National and International Online lectures organized in the capacity of Head, Dept. of Philosophy, University of North Bengal from July 2020 to November, 2021.
- j. Academic Coordinator of ICPR sponsored national workshop entitled: ENVIRONMENTAL PHILOSOPHY AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT: INDIAN PERSPECTIVE from 12th to 18th June, 2022 at Academic Centre, ICPR, Ministry of Education, Govt. of India, Lucknow

M. Membership of Learned Societies and / or Professional Bodies:

- Life member of the Journal of ICPR, New Delhi.
- Life Member, Book Club, IAS, Shimla
- Enlisted under the scheme of Dissemination of Knowledge of ICPR, New Delhi.
- Life member of Indian Philosophical Congress.

N. Administrative Experience: Institutional governance and responsibilities:

- a. Head, Dept of Philosophy from November, 2019 to November, 2021
- b. Member, Executive Council, University of North Bengal Nov. 2020 - Jan 2021
- c. Court Member, University of North Bengal November, 2019 to November, 2021
- d. Registrar (Officiating), NBU, from July, 2017 to 11-03- 2018
- e. External Member, Under Graduate Board of Studies in Philosophy, Assam University, Shilchar from 2018 to 2020
- f. External Member, Post Graduate Board of Studies in Philosophy, Coochebehar Panchanan Burma University, from 2019 onwards.
- g. Expert Member, Academic and Administrative Audit Team, Surya Sen College, Siliguri, July, 2018 onwards
- h. Nodal Officer, Anti-Ragging Cell, University of North Bengal 2010-18
- i. Superintendent, Vidyasagar Hall of Residence, University of North Bengal 2008-2018
- j. Convener, Anti-Ragging Squad, University of North Bengal 2010-2018
- k. Member, Committee for NAAC (Cycle-iii), University of North Bengal, 2016
- l. Member, Election Commission for PG Students Union, NBU, 2016-17
- m. Member, Sports Board, University of North Bengal 2008-12
- n. Member, Advisory Committee, Computer Centre, University of North Bengal 2010-12

Management of the Department and Institution:

- a. Member, Under Graduate Board of Studies in Philosophy, University of North Bengal 2012-18
- b. Member, Board of Research Studies in Philosophy, University of North Bengal 2012-16.

- c. Member, P. G. Board of Studies in Philosophy, University of North Bengal, 2007 onwards.
- d. Member, M. Phil Committee in Philosophy, University of North Bengal 2008 onwards.
- e. Member, SAP (DRS-I, II and III) of UGC in Philosophy, University of North Bengal from 2007-2020

Committees for student welfare:

- a. Member, Cultural Committee, University of North Bengal, 2008-14
- b. Member, Convocation Committee 2008- 2017
- c. Chairman, Cultural Sub-committee, 22nd West Bengal State Science and Technology Congress, University of North Bengal, 2015
- d. Chairman, Cultural Sub-committee, 46th and 47th Annual Convocation, University of North Bengal, 2016-17
- e. Convener, Cultural Programme for NAAC (cycle-3) Peer Team Visit, 21-11-2016, University of North Bengal

P. Chairman/Subject Expert, Selection Committees for CAS, University and College Faculties/Teachers in Philosophy:

1. Chairman, Selection Committee for CAS in the Dept. of Philosophy, University of North Bengal (Stage-1-2), July, 2020
2. Subject Expert, Selection Committee, for CAS in the Dept. of Philosophy, Ravenshaw University (Stage-3-4, Associate Professor) October, 2021
3. Chairman, Selection Committee for CAS, Dept. of Philosophy, Dept of Philosophy, University of North Bengal (Stage-3-4, Associate Professor) September, 2021
4. Subject Expert, Selection Committee for CAS in the Dept. of Philosophy, Banarhat Govt. Hindi College (Stage-1-2) August, 2021
5. Subject Expert, Selection Committee for CAS in the Dept. of Philosophy, Darjeeling Govt. College (Stage-1-2) August, 2021
6. Subject Expert, Selection Committee, for CAS in the Dept. of Philosophy, Alipurduar College (Stage-3-4, Associate Professor) September, 2021
7. Subject Expert, Selection Committee, Dept. of Philosophy, Delhi University, 2021
8. Subject Expert, Selection Committee, JRF-Scheme of ICPR, Govt. of India, New Delhi, 2021-22

Q. Extra Curricular Activities:

- *Singing:*
 - A) Participated and secured first runners-up in the Television Serial, **SA RE GA MA PA**, a singing talent competition in D.D-1 (Oriya) conducted by View TV from 6th - 16th May 2000 at Bhubaneswar.
 - B) Participated in the Television Serial, **RAGA ANURAGA**, a singing talent competition in **E-TV Oriya** on 8th March 2004 at Bhubaneswar.
 - C) Performed as a invited artist in the phone-in live TV programme **Pratham Alo** by CCN Music, Siliguri, on 22nd September, 2018.