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Educational Qualifications						
Degree		Institution		Year		
Post-Doctorate		University of Hyderabad (ICPR General Fellow)		2005		
Ph.D.		University of Hyderabad		1998		
M.A.		University of Hyderabad		1990		
B.Sc.		Andhra Loyola College/Nagarjuna University		1988		
Career Profile						
Assistant Regional Director, IGNOU Regional Centre, Bhubaneswar, 26.9.2000 to 16.8.2002 Lecturer, Department of Philosophy, Pondicherry University, Puducherry, from 19.8.2002 to 26.9.2004 Sr. Lecturer, Department of Philosophy, Pondicherry University, Puducherry, from 26.9.2004 to 25.9.2009 Assistant Professor, (Gr.3), Department of philosophy, Pondicherry University, Puducherry (8000 AGP), from 2009- 20.1.2015. Professor, Department of Philosophy, Faculty of Arts, University of Delhi, Delhi, from 21.1.2015 to till date						
Administrative Assignments						
Head, Department of Philosophy (from 22.06.2021)						
Areas of Interest / Specialization						
Contemporary Indian Philosophy, Ethics, Social and Political Philosophy, Philosophy of Religion, Cultural Studies, Continental Philosophy, Philosophy of Technology, Dalit Studies, and Social Movements						

Subjects Taught				
Contemporary Political Philosophy, Critical Reading of Western Philosophy, Critical Philosophical Traditions of India, Philosophy of B. R. Ambedkar, Philosophy of Biology, Continental Philosophy, Indian Modernity				
Research Methodology, Bio-Politics and Philosophy, Materialistic Reading of Indian Philosophy, Indian Philosophy and Colonialism, Philosophy, Politics and Satire, Human Dignity and Self -Respect				
Philosophical Foundations of Contemporary Social Movements, Contemporary Approaches to Indian Philosophy, Ethics, Eco-Philosophy, Understanding Culture, Recent Trends in Western Philosophy, Technology and Social Justice, Philosophy of History, Philosophy of Religion				
Time table of the subjects taught during the current semester				
S.No.	Subject	Days	Time	Classroom
1	Critical Philosophical Traditions of India (Sem II)	Tuesday	1.30-3.30	RoomNo.12
2	Critical Reading of Western Philosophy (Sem IV)	Tuesday	11.00-1.00	Room No.12
3	Contemporary Political Philosophy (M.Phil/ Ph.D)	Wednesday Friday	10-12	Room No.16
4.	Philosophy, Politics and Satire	Ph. D Thesis Centric course (Monday, Thursday)		Room No.2
Research Guidance				
1. Supervision of awarded Doctoral Thesis-6				
Nelson Kho K P, <i>The Communitarian Idea of the Self with special reference to Charles Taylor</i> (2023)				
Anselum Mintz, <i>Foucault's Conception of Freedom: A Critical Study</i> (2023)				
Saba Parveen. <i>Postmodern Ethics: A Critical Study of Michel Foucault</i> (2022)				
Purushothaman. R. <i>Information and Digital Divide: An Ethical Perspective</i> (2019) (PU)				

K. Velmurugan, *Buddhism and Dalit Identity with special reference to Pandita Iyothethass and B.R. Ambedkar* (2019) (PU)

Arulappan, *Phenomenological Psychology of Jean Paul Sartre and Merley Ponty* (2013) (PU)

2. Supervision of awarded M.Phil dissertations -16

Urna Chakraborty, *Dyed-in-the-Woll Intersectionality: An Ambedkarite Proposal*, (2023)

Yukta Rai, *K.C.Bhattacharyya's Swaraj in Ideas: A Critical Study*, (2023)

Prabhakar, *"Histography of Ancient Indian Polity with Special reference to the Buddha's Conception of Origin and Development of State"*, (2023)

Lijo Jacob, *Charles Taylor's Conception of Human Flourishing* (2021)

Mallikarjun Nagral, *Machinery and Alienation: A Design Critique* (2021)

Vaibhav, Bhujang, *Bio Political Philosophy of Hardt and Negri: A Critical Study* (2021)

Lakhvir Singh, *Foucault's Concept of Governmentality: A Critical Study* (2019)

Tanweer Alam, *Socratic Method and Pedagogy of Philosophy: A Conceptual Analysis* (2019)

Mohammed Irshad, *Philosophy of Information: An Ethical Perspective* (2018)

Sukanya, *B.R. Ambedkar's Conception of Equality: A Study* (2017)

Samiksha Goyal, *An Ethical Critique of Capitalism: Gandhi's View* (2016)

Nutan Priyadarshini Pattanayak, *Charles Taylor's Communitarianism: A Study* (2013) (PU)

Smritipriya Pattanayak, *Interrogating Untouchability: An Ethical Understanding* (2012) (PU)

Snatagnitadri Dhirsamanta, *Theories of Punishment: A Social Justice Perspective* (2011) (PU)

Sukanta Kumar Sahu, *Ethical Theory of Emmanuel Levinas: A Study* (2010) (PU)

Purushothaman. R, *Foundations of Computer Ethics: A Study* (2009) (PU)

Supervision of M.Phil Thesis, Under progress:2

Supervision of Doctoral Thesis, under progress-9

Pankaj Bharti, *Richard Rorty's critique of Epistemological Foundationalism*

Mohd Irshad, *Philosophy of Information: An Ethical Perspective*

Sujit Babul, *Theorizing Social Experience: Contextualizing the Life World of the Caste*

Swetha Kumari Das, *Indian Philosophy in the age of Colonialism*
Bindu Chintada, *Satire as an Epistemic tool in analyzing Indian Socio-Political Situations*
Yukta Rai, *Swaraj in Ideas in Post-Colonial Context: A Critical Study*
Prabhakar, *A Philosophical Interrogation into the Problem of Caste with Special Reference to the Discourses on Social Denominations in Classical India*
Budhan Singh Sinku, *Understanding Philosophies of Adivasis in the Context of Indian philosophical Tradition*
Maryam Alizadeh, *Hindu Reform Movement in Modern India: A Case Study of Raja Rammohan Roy*

Publications Profile

Books

Jiddu Krishnamurti: A Critical Study of Tradition and Revolution, Kalpaz Publications, Delhi, 2015

Political Philosophy of Ambedkar: An Inquiry into the Theoretical Foundations of Dalit Movement, Kalpaz Publications, Delhi, 2014 .

Dalita Vudhyamam-Velugu Needalu (Telugu), Spruha Publication, Hyderabad, 2010 (Collection of Essays on Philosophy, Culture, Literature and Struggles of Dalits)

Edited Books

Pidikedu Aatmagourvam Kosam (For Fistful of Self-Respect), Collected Writings of Kalekuri Prasad (Ed.), Bahujanakeratalu Publications, 2012

Dalita Manifesto , Vishphotana Publications, Hyderabad, Anthology of Dalit Poems(with K.Satyanarayana) ,1995

Articles in Journals (Published)

Political Meanings of Atrocity: Phenomenology of Caste Violence, *Scholar Critic*, Vol.8:3,2021

Charles Taylor's Idea of Self, (with Nelson Kho K P), *International Journal of Humanities and Social Science Studies (IJHSSS)*, VolXIII:1, 2022, Pp.71-79

Politics of Literature: Contemporary Telugu Katha, *Scholar Critic*, (International Journal), Vo.1 No.3, April 2014

Globalization and Cinema: Sa Re Ga Ma of 'Boys' , *Parishodhan-Global Research Journal*, vol.2, No.1 January-March 2013,pp.9-18.

Liberation Theology of Dalit Literary Narratives: A Study of Madduri Nagesh Babu's 'Naraloka Prarthana', *Scholar Critic* (International Journal), Vo.1 No.1, April 2014

Against Brahminical Tradition: A Dalit Critique of Indian Modernity, *Lokayata: Journal of Positive Philosophy*, Vol.III. No.01, March 2013, p.4-17

Liberal Democracy and Kymlicka's Conception of Minority Rights: Towards a Perspective of Dalit Rights, *International Journal of South Asian Studies (IJSAS)* Vol.5 No.2 July2012-Dec.2013, pp.204-216

Popular Culture and Ideology: The Phenomenon of Gaddar, *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol.XLV.No.7, February13, 2010, pp.61-67

Community, Common Good and Democracy : An Indian response to Western Communitarianism

International Research Journal of Social Sciences, Vol.2 No.2 , 2009, pp.199-214

Subaltern Philosopher Saint Potluri Veerabrahmendaswamy, *Journal of Dravidian Studies*, Vol. V & VI No. 3-4&1-2, 2008, pp.19-21

Political Philosophy of Ambedkar: A Critical Understanding, *International Research Journal of Social Sciences*, Vol.1 No.2. Pp.193-210, 2008, Pondicherry University, Puducherry

Indian Historiography and Ambedkar: Reading History from Dalit Perspective, *International Journal of South Asian Studies (IJSAS)*, Vol. 1. No.1. January -June 2008, Pondicherry University, Pondicherry, Pp. 123-143.

Adhunikatha: Dalita Vimarsa (Modernity: A Dalit Critique) *Charcha* (for Democratic Values), May 2008, pp.19-21

Negotiating Caste and Gender: An Experience of Andhra Politics, *Insight* Vol. 1 No.7-8 March- April 2005 pp.40-44

Performance of Social Memory.....In Search of Dalit Culture, *Vikalp* (e- journal), Vikas Adhyayana Kendra, Mumbai, www.vakindia.org, August 2005 pp.79-91

Articles in Magazines/Newspapers/Blog Writings

Kesava Kumar. P.(2020).The students' Struggles of Hyderabad Central University :Emergence of Dalit Students' Politics, *Round Table of India*, 20 January 2020

https://roundtableindia.co.in/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=9793:the-students-struggles-of-hyderabad-central-university-emergence-of-dalit-students-politics&catid=119:feature&Itemid=132

Pluralism in Telugu Poetry , Poets Translating Poets, Poetry Traverses South Asia and Germany , Goethe Institut (2016), <http://www.goethe.de/ins/in/lp/prj/ptp/mag/en15574250.htm>

Bojja Tarakam: The Dalit Leader, Round Table India (September 2016),

https://roundtableindia.co.in/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=8788:prof-p-kesavakumar&catid=119:feature&Itemid=132

'Mathanni, Devudni Dhikkarinchina Boudham '(Editorial In Telugu) , *Bhujana Keratalu*(June 2016), Ongole ,pp.2-3

Chapters in Books

K. Satchidananda Murty's Approach to Indian Philosophy In "*Reason, Revelation and Peace: Evaluation of K.Satchidananda Murty*" (Ed.Ashok Vohra) ,Delhi: Motilal Banarsidas, 2020, Pp.223-239

Caste in Classroom: An Ethical Interrogation, In "*Teaching in Unequal Societies*", (Ed.John Russan, Siby K George, P.G.Jung)New Delhi: Bloomsbury,2020, Pp.273-28

Religion, Caste and Modernity: Ambedkar's Reconstruction of Buddhism, In *Classical Buddhism, Neo-Buddhism and the Question of Caste* (Ed. Pradeep P. Gokhale). New Delhi: Routledge, 2020,Pp.270-301

"Bojja Tarakam: The Ambedkarite of Ourtimes", *The Gentle Warrior: In Memory of Bojja Tarakam*, Hyderabad: Hyderabad Book Trust,2018.

‘The Pride of Identity Politics, Foreword. (Ed) Vulli Dhanaraju, Voice of the Other’. In Understanding Marginal Identities (2016), Delhi: Gen Next Publications, pp.9-12.

‘Song: The Voice of Voiceless,’ *The Oxford India Anthology of Telugu Dalit Writing* (2016) (Ed. K. Purushottam, Gita Ramaswamy and Gogu Shyamala), New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp.451- 457

Dappu: A Symbol of Dalit Protest, Counter-Writings- Dalits and Other Subalterns,(Ed.J.Bheemaiah), Prestige Books International, New Delhi,2016, pp.117-127

Media and Marginalization of Dalits, Dalits and Social Marginalisation, Ed.J.Bheemaiah) Aavishkar Publishers, Distributors, Jaipur, India ,2012

Canon and Context : Telugu Dalit literature, Dalit Movement and Literature; Emerging Issues and Challenges (Ed.B.Krishnaiah) Prestige books, 2011

Emergence of Dalit Novel in Telugu: An Overview, South India: Regions, Cultures and Sagas (Ed.Inukonda Thirumali) Bibliomatrix, New Delhi, 2004

Course Material and E-Content

M.A. Gandhi and Peace Studies, IGNOU: MGP. 002 Philosophy of Gandhi (3 Units)

1. Unit.10 Critical Understanding of Indian Civilization
2. Unit 11 Towards A New Civilization
3. Unit 15 Swadeshi

M.A. Philosophy , IGNOU (4 Units)

4. MPY002 Western Philosophy Block: 1 Unit. 1 Characteristic of Western philosophy
5. MPY002, Block: 1 Unit.4 Major Thinkers of Western Philosophy
6. MPYE 010 Philosophy of Religion , Block 3 Atheism/A-theism Unit.4 Problem of Evil
7. MPYE-010 Philosophy of Technology, Block 1 Reality: Chaos theory and Nano Technology Unit.3 Nano-Technology: Basic Ideas and Applications

Certificate Programme on Life and Thought of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, IGNOU

“Unit 7 Social Democracy” BAB104 State, Democracy and Nation Building , IGNOU Certificate programme on Life and Thought of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, (2018), pp.70-81

Publications in the Last one year

Conference Organization/ Presentations (in the last three years)

Seminars organized

International Seminar on ‘*Reflections on Hundred years of Philosophy in India,*’ as a part of Delhi University Centenary Celebrations, Department of Philosophy, University of Delhi on 27th-28th February,2023

Organized a National Webinar on Indian Philosophy Today- An Appraisal , Department of Philosophy, University of Delhi 30th July 2021

Organized webinar on Reflections on Buddhism, Existentialism and J.Krishnamurti in memory of Prof. G. Vedaparayana , Philosophy of Praxis on 28th April 2021

Seminar on What is Living and What is Dead in Indian Philosophy on the occasion of Birth Centenary Celebrations of Debiprasad Chattopadhyaya organized by Department of Philosophy, University of Delhi, on 30th November 2018

ICPR National seminar on Perspectives in Philosophy of Literature organized by the Department of Philosophy, University of Delhi , 11-13 April, 2016.

ICPR Invited Lectures by Prof. William Sweet on ‘Identity, Culture and Recognition,’ and ‘Forgotten Philosophies’ on 15th February 2016.

ICPR national seminar on State and Freedom: Ambedkar’s Perspective, organized by Dept. of Philosophy, Pondicherry University, Pondicherry on 27-29 September 2012.

ICPR national workshop on Issues in Ambedkar Studies, organized by Dept. of Philosophy, Pondicherry University, Pondo cherry on 23-24 July, 2012

National seminar on ‘Noam Chomsky and the Contemporary World’ sponsored by CIIL, Mysore and Pondicherry University to be organized on 9-11 September 2008

ICPR National Seminar on Philosophical Foundations of Contemporary Social Movements in India at Department of Philosophy, Pondicherry University from 1st to 3rd September 2005

Presentation of Research Papers

Discussant, Panel Discussion on *Dr.B.R.Ambedkar’s Idea of India* organized Department of Education, University of Delhi on 28th April 2023

Lecture on Crisis of Contemporary Political Philosophy: Emancipatory Engagement of Dr.B R. Ambedkar, organized by the Equal Opportunity Cell, Miranda House, University of Delhi, 14th April 2023

Discussant on ‘Becoming Babasaheb’ (Aakash Rathore’s Book) lecture on the theme of Philosophical Deliberations on Ambedkar’s Life and Thought organized by the Department of Philosophy, Gargi College on 25th April 2023.

Inaugural lecture on *The World of Information Technology and Public Philosophy*, organized by EIDOS’23, Department of Philosophy, Kamala Nehru College, University of Delhi , on 29th March 2023.

Self-Respect and Human Dignity as Philosophy: A Critical Introspection into Indian Philosophical Traditions, International Seminar on ‘*Reflections on Hundred years of Philosophy in India*,’ as a part of Delhi University Centenary Celebrations, organized by Department of Philosophy, University of Delhi on 27th-28th February,2023

Moral Idealism and Indian Social Reality, ICPR National Symposium on ‘Truth, Beauty and Goodness: Indian Philosophical Perspective,’ on the Occasion Indian Philosopher’s Day 2022 organized by Department of Philosophy. Aligarh Muslim University, on 28th December 2022

Chaired, ‘Bharatiya Advaita Darsan’ on the occasion of ICPR Bharatiya Darsanika Divas-II , organized by the Department of Philosophy, University of Delhi on 15th December 2022

Lectures on ‘*B.R.Ambedkar and Indian Philosophy*,’ ‘*Political Philosophy of B.R.Ambedkar*,’ Refresher Course in Philosophy organized by the HRDC and Department of Philosophy, University of Calcutta on 3rd December 2022

Politics of Philosophy: Indian Philosophy in Context, on the occasion of World Philosophy Day 2022 organized by Indraprastha College, University of Delhi on 17th November 2022.

Lectures on *Development and Democracy: Ambedkar's Perspective*, Refresher Course organized by HRDC, University of Hyderabad on 9th July 2022.

ICPR Lecture on *Buddhist Interpretation of Indian Philosophy: Iyothee Thass, Lakshmi Narasu, Ambedkar* organized by Shyam Prasad Mukherjee College, University of Delhi on 20th June 2022

Invited Talk on *Dr. B. R. Ambedkar : Ambedkarism, Challenges and Prospectus*, organized by Savitribai Phule study circle, Dayal Singh College, University of Delhi on 18th April 2022

Valedictory Address on *Critical Philosophical traditions of India: The issue of servitude and Self-Respect*, National seminar on 'Marginalization and social Exclusion: Cultivation of Indian Socio-Cultural Thought' organized by Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy, JNU on 13-14th April 2022.

Key Note Panel Speaker, *Contestation of Canon: Narratives of Alterity* National conference on 'Being and Becoming: articulating Alterity across Mediums', organized by Department of English, Satyawati College (Eve.) on 12th April 2022

Lecture on *Happiness as an Ethical Value*, for Certificate course in Living Values, organized by Department of Philosophy, Miranda House, University of Delhi on 8th April 2022

Special lecture on *Future of Indian Philosophy: A Critical Introspection* organized by *Panathenaea '22*, Department of Philosophy, Hindu College, University of Delhi on 7th April 2022

Invited Lecture on *Ambedkar and Indian society* organized by Asiatic society for social science Research and Institute of Governance and Public Policy on 30th April 2022.

Presented a paper on *State, Freedom and Social Justice: Ambedkar's Idea of Moral Community*, National Webinar on Building the Ideal State: A Philosophical Exposition, organized by Department of Philosophy, University Of Lucknow, 21-23 March 2022.

ICPR lecture on *Morality and Meaning of Life*, organized by Hansraj College, University of Delhi, 21st January 2022

Democracy and Social Equality: Reflections on Contemporary Debates of Social World, organized by Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi on 25th November, 2021 on the occasion of World Philosophy Day

Inaugural address *Emerging Trends in Western and Indian Philosophy* ICPR national webinar on *Emerging Trends in Western and Indian Philosophy*, organized by Tamil Nadu Central University from 24th -26th November 2021.

Invited lecture on *Crafting Philosophy: The Role of a Public Philosopher* organized by the Department of Philosophy, Miranda House, University of Delhi on the occasion of World Philosophy Day on 17th November 2021

Ambedkar's Idea of Democracy and Ideal Society, organized by Sophia Society, Department of Philosophy, Lakshmibai College, University of Delhi on 27th October 2021.

Ambedkar's conception of Religion and It's Relevance, National seminar on Dr Ambedkar, Buddhism and the Post Pandemic World, organized by Nagarjuna Training Institute, Nagaloka, Nagpur, 15th-16th October 2021

Democracy and Social Equality: Reflections on Contemporary Debates of Social World, organized by Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi on 25th November, 2021 on the occasion of World Philosophy Day

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Ambedkar's conception of Religion and It's Relevance, National seminar on Dr Ambedkar, Buddhism and the Post Pandemic World, organized by Nagarjuna Training Institute, Nagaloka, Nagpur, 15th-16th October 2021

Critical Reflections on Indian Society, UGC-Academic HRD , University of Hyderabad

Lecture on *Philosophy of Technology: Concerns and Challenges*, FDP programme Teaching Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi

Panelist, Valedictory Session of Feminist Philosophy Certificate Course, Department of Philosophy, University of Delhi and ICPR on 19th September 2021

Reflections on Indian Knowledge Systems , FDP on Indian Knowledge System- Concerns, Approaches and Applications in NEP-2020, organized by Teaching Learning Centre, Dr. Harsingh Gour Viswavidyalay, Sagar and Mata Sundari College, University of Delhi , on 18th September 2021

Philosophy of Technology: Probing into a Posthuman Society. organized by Skepics. The Philosophy Association, Daulat Ram College, University of Delhi , on 7th September 2021

Critical Reading of Modern Western Philosophy, Samvaad Lecture Series 2021-22, organized by Department of Philosophy, Hindu College, University of Delhi, on 12th August 2021

Indian Philosophy: An Alternate Perspective, organized by Department of Philosophy, Janki Devi Memorial College, University of Delhi, on 23rd July 2021

Lecture on *Philosophy of B.R. Ambedkar*, FDP on 'Dr. B. R. Ambedkar & The Idea of India' organized by Teaching Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi from 16th April 2021

Dr.B.R. Ambedkar and the Idea of Democratic India, organized by Ambedkar Study Circle, Indraprastha College for Women , University of Delhi , on 14th April 2021

Special lecture on *Civil Society and Democracy* nation webinar organized by D.S.Govt Degree College for Women, Ongole ,A.P. on 11.01.2021

Lecture on *Methodological Underpinnings of B.R.Ambedkar's Social and Political Philosophy* 2nd Refreshers

Course on Philosophical Knowledge Traditions in India: Past and Present HRDC,JNU on October 12,2020

Lecture on Development and Democracy: Philosophy of B.R.Ambedkar in Refresher Course on Perspectives on Understanding the arguments on Development patterns in exploring the implications in Social Sciences organized by HRDC, University of Hyderabad, on 13.10.2020

Lecture on *Ambedkar's View Point of Gender and Social Transformation* , Refresher Course on Gender and Social

Transformation , UGC HRDC,University of Burdwan on 14.09.2020

Address of the Chief Guest on *Key Questions in Pursuing Social Philosophy* on the occasion of World Philosophers

day 2020 organized by the Department of Philosophy, University of Jaffna on 19.11.2020

Address of the Chief Guest on *Dr.B.R.Ambedkar's Idea of Social Democracy* on the occasion of Constitution day

organized by National Institute of Technology, Andhra Pradesh on 26.11.2020

Valedictory Lecture on *Ambredkar's conception of Gender* on Young Scholars webinar on 'Dr. Ambedkar and Gender Question' organized by CSSEIP, Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi on 28th October 2020

Special Lecture on *Critical Reading of Modern Western Philosophy: Towards a Theory of Emancipation*, ICPR **All-India Philosophy Graduate Conference** organized by Department of Philosophy, University of Delhi from 2nd-4th March 2020.

Chaired a session, ICPR All-India Philosophy Graduate Conference organized by Department of Philosophy, University of Delhi from 2nd-4th March 2020.

Lecture on Philosophy of Dr. B R Ambedkar: Development and Democracy, Refresher course on Social

Sciences, UGC- HRDC, University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad on 15th October 2020.

Lecture on *Ambedkar's view of Gender and Social Transformation*, Refresher course in Gender and Social Transformation, UGC-HRDC, University of Burdwan, on 14th September 2020.

Lecture on *Critical Reading of Western Philosophy*, Refresher course in Philosophy, organized by IGC-HRDC, Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi on 24th July 2019.

Lecture on *Critical Philosophical Traditions of Indian Philosophy*, Refresher course in Philosophy, organized by UGC-HRDC, Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi on 19th July 2019.

Special Lecture on *Interrogating Indian Philosophy: Iyothee Thassar, Lakshmi Narasu and Ambedkar*, organized by the Department of Philosophy, Madras Christian College on 29th July 2019

Indian Philosophy: An Indigenous Perspective, International Conference on “Building Bridges between Latin American Philosophy and Indian Philosophy” organized by University of Delhi and Ramanujan College on March 22, 2019

Chaired a Session, International Conference on “Building Bridges between Latin American Philosophy and Indian Philosophy” organized by University of Delhi and Ramanujan College on March 22, 2019

Chaired a session and Panel Discussant, National Seminar on “Dalit Literature: Texts and Contexts” organized by Centre for Dalit studies of Department of English, University of Delhi on 13-15 March, 2019.

Chairing a session , International Conference on “Building Bridges between Latin American Philosophy and Indian Philosophy” , Jawaharlal University, March 18-20, 2019.

Issues in Understanding the Philosophy of Ambedkar , Invited Lecture organized by the Department of Political Science, Zakir Husain Delhi College(M), 19 February , 2019 .

Exploring and Enframing Philosophy of Information Society (Special Lecture of Chairman for Philosophy Research Committee) in XLII Indian Social Science Congress on a theme Human Future in Digital Era organized by Indian Academy of Social Sciences and KIITS, Bhubaneswar on 27-30 December, 2018

Caste in Classroom: An Ethical Interrogation in International conference on “Ethics of Teaching in Pluralistic and Unequal societies” organized by IIT Bombay, 22-24 November, 2018

Chaired a session, International conference on “Ethics of Teaching in Pluralistic and Unequal societies” organized by IIT Bombay, 22-24 November, 2018

Debates in Making Indian Constitution in Seminar on ‘Importance of Indian Constitution and Need to Protect it’ organized by Centre for Dalit Studies, Department of English on 26 November 2018.

Philosophical Method of Debiprasad Chattopadhyaya in Seminar on “What is Living and What is Dead in Indian Philosophy” on the occasion of Birth Centenary Celebrations of Debiprasad Chattopadhyaya organized by the Department of Philosophy, University of Delhi, November 30, 2018.

Special lecture on Politics of Performance and the Phenomenon of Gaddar, organized by School of Arts and Aesthetics, JNU, Delhi, on April 20, 2018

Ambedkar's conception of Social Justice in Seminar on B.R. Ambedkar and Social Justice organized by Department of Political Science, Shradhananda College , University of Delhi, Delhi on April 16, 2018.

Chaired a session of a Seminar on B.R. Ambedkar and Social Justice organized by Department of Political Science, Shradhananda College , University of Delhi, Delhi on April 16, 2018.

Socio-Political context & Ambedkar's Method and Interrogation of Indian Philosophy in National workshop on Philosophical thought of Dr.B.R.Ambedkar Organized by Department of

Philosophy, Zakir Hussein College (Evening), University of Delhi, Delhi on 22-23 March, 2018

Chaired, Inaugural session of National workshop on Philosophical thought of Dr.B.R.Ambedkar
Organized by Department of Philosophy, Zakir Hussein College (Evening),University of Delhi, Delhi on 22-23 March, 2018

Nature and Ecological consciousness in Indian Philosophy in Second International conference on Global climate change an Ecosystem Management, Culture, Tradition and Nature, organized by Academy of Value based Management of ISOL Foundation in collaboration with University of Toronto on March 10, 2018

Chaired Panel discussion on Caste in the Classroom, part of Annual literary festival organized by Miranda House, 16th March 2018

Caste, Religion and Nation: Ambedkar's Ethico-Rationalistic Critique of Hindu Religious Nationalism, International Conference on Reclaiming Social Justice, Revisiting Ambedkar on the occasion of 126th Birth Anniversary of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar organized by Government of Karnataka, Bengaluru, India 21 – 23 (Friday – Sunday) July, 2017

Chaired, Session on Social movements and Social transformation , International Conference on Reclaiming Social Justice, Revisiting Ambedkar organized by Government of Karnataka, Bengaluru , India 21 – 23 (Friday – Sunday) July, 2017

“The Idea of a University: Debating Autonomy and Culture of Dissent" National Seminar on “ Dr. B. R. Ambedkar's Vision and Works on Education – Relevance to Our Times” organized by Telangana State Council of Higher Education (TSCHE) , Hyderabad, 14-15 July 2017 .

Satyagraha as Pragmatic Political Strategy: Reflections on Contemporary Social Movements, National Seminar on Debating Satyagraha: Hundred Years of Champaran Satyagraha Organised by Centre for Studies and Research in Gandhian Thought and Peace, Central University of Gujarat on April 20, 2017

Lecture on issues in Theorizing Dalit Movement at Centre for the study of discrimination and exclusion, JNU, Delhi on 11th April 2017

Lecture on 'Political Values' for students of certificate course on value based education 'living values' organized by Miranda House, Delhi University ,on 03March, 2017

Philosophy as an Articulation of Social Practices of Inarticulated , Dr. B.R.Ambedkar Perspective on the State Society and Economy : Revisiting his Vision and Mission organized Dr. B.R Ambedkar's 125th Year Birth Anniversary Celebrations Committee, University of Hyderabad on 22-23 February, 2017

‘Pen Points and Gun Points’ - Literary Voices of Indian Democratic Revolution , Conference on Revolution : Literature and Beyond organized by English Literary Society, St. Stephen's College, Delhi , 22-24 March, 2017.

Key Note Address, Ethics of Care of Elderly: A Philosophical Probing, National seminar on Ethical Issues of Geriatric Care organized by Andhra Loyola College, Vijayawada, 28-29 October , 2016

Invited Lecture, Political Perspectives in Theorizing Dalit Movement , Department of English, University of Delhi on 27th October 2016.

Special Lecture, Interrogating Indian Modernity, Department of Political Science . Zakir Hussein Delhi College, 4th October 2016.

Philosophy of Autobiography: Reflections on Narration of Dalit Self, National seminar on Exploring of Self: Autobiography in the Indian Context, organized by Centre for Comparative Literature , University of Hyderabad, 15-16 September 2016

Politics of Freedom : Worlds of Literature and Philosophy ICPR National seminar on Perspectives in Philosophy of Literature organized by the Department of Philosophy, University of Delhi , 11-13 April , 2016.

Contemporary Indian Intellectual Tradition and The Question of Caste: Philosophical enlightenment of B.R. Ambedkar ICPR National seminar on Contemporary Indian Thinkers, Department of Philosophy, University of Delhi, March 2016.

Dalit Consciousness- Literature and Culture: Challenges of Future, National seminar on Dalit

Consciousness- Literature and Culture: Challenges of Future organized by Centre for Dalit and Adivasi studies and translation , University of Hyderabad, March 19-20, 2016

Special Lecture on Critical Philosophical Traditions in India, Department of Philosophy, Kamala Nehru College, Delhi on 27th January 2016.

Ambedkar's Conception of Equality: A Philosophical Understanding, ICPR International Seminar on Idea of Equality, IIC, New Delhi, 28-30 July 2015

Ambedkar's Conception of Democracy: A Philosophical Note, National seminar on Ambedkar and Indian Democracy, organized by Centre for Ambedkar Studies, University of Hyderabad, 26-27 March, 2015.

Contemporary Buddhism and the Question of Caste: Iyothee Thass and B.R.Ambedkar, International seminar on Contemporary Buddhism: Debates and Applications, organized by Buddhist Studies Initiative, Department of Philosophy, University Mumbai, 19-21 March , 2015

Social Movements of Andhra: Continuity and Discontinuity of Social Change, and Chaired a session, Perspectives of Social Movements In Andhra Pradesh, organized by Department of history, Archeology and Culture, Dravidian University, Kuppam ,2-3 April, 2014

State, Social Freedom and Nation Building, Political Philosophy of Ambedkar, National seminar on B.R.Ambedkar's contribution to Nation Building, Centre for Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy, JNU, New Delhi, 24-25 February,2014

Contemporary Buddhism and the Question of Caste: Iyothee Thass and B.R.Ambedkar, International seminar on Contemporary Buddhism: Debates and Applications, organized by Buddhist Studies Initiative, Department of Philosophy, University Mumbai, 19-21 March , 2015

Gender and Violence in Normal times and Discussant on Abdul Shaban's paper, 'Muslim citizenship, Identity and Violence in India: Politics, State and Infringement of Rights' International conference on Violence and its Habitations in India, organized by Council for Social Development, Hyderabad, 28-30 November,2013

Religion, Caste and Modernity: Ambedkar's Construction of Buddhism, National seminar on Buddhism, NeoBuddhism and the question of caste, CUTS, Saranath and ICPR, New Delhi , 3-5 October 2013

Against Brahminical Tradition: Ambedkar's Approach to Indian Philosophy, National seminar on Ambedkarite Philosophy: Its Relevance, Department of Philosophy, Dhanwate National college, Nagpur, 28-29 September 2013

A Dream of Aakupatchani Desam: Politics of Development and Displacement of Chenchus of Nallamala, UGC National seminar on Contesting Tribal Subalternity: Social and Economic Challenges in India, Centre for Comparative Literature, University of Hyderabad, 29-30 July,2013.

Search for Identity: Struggles of Dalit Youth, National seminar on Caste and Dalits: A way Out, Centre for Dalit and Adivasi Studies and Translation, University of Hyderabad, 24-25 July 2013

Discrimination, Dalit Identity and Freedom, and chaired a session, National seminar on Discrimination, Identity and Philosophy of Dr.Ambedkar, Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow, 8-9 April 2013

Non-Brahminical Hinduism of K.Satchidananda Murty: A Critical Appraisal, The Philosophy of Professor K.Satchidananda Murty, Department of Philosophy, University of Madras, 28-30 January 2013

Political Meanings of Atrocity: Phenomenology of Caste Violence, Seminar on Violence and Dalit Movement , Indian Social Institute, Bangalore and IIAS, Shimla, Nov.19-20,2012

Strategies for Telangana State: The question of Caste, National seminar on New States and Social Movements, Dept. of sociology, Satavahana University, Oct. 5-6,2012

Dalit song of Indian Revolution: Politics and Literature of K.G.Satyamurthy, and Chaired a session, National seminar on Telugu Literature: Contemporary Politics and Socio-economic Movement, Council for Social Development, Hyderabad, 30-31 August,2012

Struggles for Freedom against Hegemonic State: Ambedkar's Perspective, ICPR National Seminar on

State and Freedom: Ambedkar's Perspective, Department of Philosophy, Pondicherry University, 27-29 Sept.2012

Chaired, Research In Ambedkar Studies, ICPR National Work Shop on Issues in Ambedkar Studies, Department of Philosophy, Pondicherry University, 23-24 July 2012

Chaired , Professional Ethics, ICPR National Workshop on Interdisciplinary Ethics, Department of Philosophy, Pondicherry University, 2-3Aug.2012

Performing Dalit Culture: Politicization of Folklore , International conference on Multiple streams of a Performance, Department of Performing Arts, Pondicherry University, Pondicherry ,26-28 March 2012

Philosophical Discourse on Equality: Ambedkar's view Point, National seminar on Mindscapes of caste : Reconciling Equality and Justice, Department of Political Science, Delhi University , New Delhi, 23rd -24th March 2012

Politics of writing: The question of Authenticity and Representation , and Chaired a session , National seminar on Dalit experience and the question of marginality , Department of English, Delhi University, New Delhi, 16-18 February 2012

'K. Satchidananda Murty's Approach to Indian Philosophy' ICPR National seminar on Remembering K.Satchidananda Murty organized by Department of Philosophy, Andhra University on 21-24 September 2011

'Interrogating Untouchability: A Cultural Discourse', International conference cum consultation on Reimaging the face of the other: Dalit Cultural Politics, Arul Anandar College(Autonomous) Karumathur , Madurai on 21st-22nd July 2011

'Researching/Re Searching CASTE', ICHR National seminar on Scientific Knowledge, Cultural Technologies and colonial explorations of Peninsular India, organized by Dept. of History, Pondicherry University on 15th-16th February 2011

'An interface of technology and society: Perspective of philosophy of technology', ICHR National seminar on Academic amalgamation :Bringing techno-scientific and social science academicians together on the changing academic dimensions, organized by Department of History Bharatidasan University Tiruchirapalli on 17th-18th February 2011

'Colonialism, caste and class', ICHR National seminar on Colonial state, Capital and Labour in India organized by Dept. of History, Pondicherry University on 1st-2nd March 2011

'*Untouchable Spring*: A Narrative of Culture, Struggle and Philosophy of Dalits', National seminar on Production and Reception of Dalit Literature organized by Department of English, Pondicherry University, Pondicherry on 30th-31st March,2011

'Contemporary Perspectives of Dalit Studies' Seminar on Dalit Literature, Culture and Subaltern Studies organized by Sahitya Academy , Regional Office, Bangalore at Pondicherry on 29th-30th March 2011

Interrogating Indian History: Emergence of Dalit Historiography', UGC National Seminar on Historiography, Culture and Civilizations, organized by Department of Philosophy, University of Madras on 11th March 2011

'Canon and Contest : Telugu Dalit Literature', UGC National seminar on Dalit Movement and Dalit Literature In Post Ambedkar Era, organized by Centre for Ambedkar Studies, Kakatiya University, Warangal on 5th-6th October 2010

‘Globalization, Identity Politics and Social Justice’, ICPR National seminar on Citizenship, Nationality and Globalization organized by Department of Comparative Dravidian Literature and Philosophy, Dravidian University, Kuppam on 16th-18th September 2010

‘Struggle for Democracy: A case study Tsundur Massacre’, National Seminar on Dalit Movements : Pre Colonial and Post Independent India organized by Programme for Discrimination and Exclusion, JNU, New Delhi on 24th-26th March 2010

‘Liberal Democracy and Will Kymlicka’s Conception of Minority Rights: Towards a Perspective of Dalit Rights’, ICPR National seminar on Democracy, Secularism and Nationalism organized by Department of Philosophy, University of Madras, on 18th-19th March 2010

‘Media and Marginalization of Dalits’, National seminar on Theorizing Marginalization and Other organized by Centre for Comparative Literature, University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad on 17th-19th February 2010

‘Social Consciousness and Construction of Social Reality: Dalit Identity in the Brahmanical World’, National Seminar on Consciousness and Social Identity organized by Department of Philosophy, Puducherry on 22nd -24th January 2010.

‘Ethics of Tourism Management: Issue in Cultural Tourism’, national seminar on Crises Management – The Challenge of Tourism & Hospitality organized by Department of Tourism Studies, Pondicherry University & South India Hotels & Restaurants Association, Chennai on 30th April 2009

‘Dalit Identity: A Philosophical Understanding’, ICHR National seminar on Dominance and Resistance organized by Department of History, Pondicherry University on 23rd-24th March 2009

‘Dappu: The Symbol of Dalit Protest’, national Seminar on Ethnomusicology and Perspectives on the Changing status of Parai organized by Department of Anthropology, Pondicherry University, Pondicherry on 30th March 2009

Against Imperialism: Political Philosophy of Noam Chomsky’, National seminar on ‘Noam Chomsky and the Contemporary World’ organized by CIIL, Mysore and Pondicherry University, Pondicherry on 22nd-24th September 2008

‘Globalization, Information Technology, and Computer Ethics’, National seminar on ‘Philosophy, Science and Values’ organized by Department of Philosophy, Pondicherry University, Pondicherry on 28th -29th January, 2008

‘Community, Common good and Democracy: An Indian response to Western Communitarianism’ ICPR National seminar on Community and Common good organized by Department of Comparative Dravidian Literature and philosophy, Dravidian University, Kuppam on 17th -19th February 2007

‘Popular Culture and Ideology: The Phenomenon of Gaddar’ International seminar on ‘Situating Literary Studies With in Democracy and Developmental Studies’ organized by Department of English, University of Madras, as a part of Sesquicentennial Celebrations on 29th -31st January 2007

‘The Song of Protest :Rising of Dalit Song in Telugu’, National seminar on South Indian Dalit Culture organized by Dalit Intellectual Collective, New Delhi at Vagamon, Kerala on 27th -29th December,2006

‘Community, Nation and Social Justice: Interface of Gandhi and Ambedkar’ National seminar on Relevance of Gandhi in Contemporary times organized by Centre for Gandhian studies, Pondicherry University, Pondicherry on 20th -21st December 2006

‘Trends in Contemporary Indian philosophy’ Seminar on Philosophy of Twentieth Century’ Bi decennial celebrations of Pondicherry University, organized by Department of Philosophy, Pondicherry University on 12th December 2006

‘Interrogating Indian Philosophical Traditions : A Philosophical Perspective of Ambedkar’, ICPR National seminar on Philosophical Foundations of Contemporary Social Movements in India, organized by Department of Philosophy, Pondicherry University on 1st to 3rd September 2005

‘Performance of Social memory..... In search of Dalit Culture’ National seminar on *Contextualizing Dalit Movement in South India: Selfhood, Culture and Economy* Jointly organized by Dalit Intellectual Collective and Dr.Ambedkar Centre for Economic Studies, University Madras, Chennai on 25th - 27th February 2005

‘Boys Just Want to Have Fun! Tamil cinema, Youth culture and Globalization’, National seminar on Multi Culturalism: Canadian and Indian perspectives organized by Centre for Canadian studies, Department of History, Pondicherry university, Pondicherry on 2nd -4th March 2005

‘Indian Historiography and Ambedkar : Reading History from Dalit Perspective’, National seminar on Ambedkar Vision and Reality: Post Ambedkar India organized by Centre for Ambedkar Studies, Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow on 14th -15th April 2004

‘Understanding J. Krishna Murthy : The conceptual and Methodological Underpinnings’, National seminar on Telugu’s contribution to Philosophy organized by Dept. of Philosophy Osmania University, Hyderabad on 22-23rd January 1999

‘Negotiating Caste tensions through Film images in Telugu Cinema’, National seminar on ‘Social Identities in Mass Media in India’ organized by Department of Sociology, University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad on March 27-28th 1999

‘Telugu cinema: Fans and Dalit audiences’, Workshop on Telugu cinema- History, Culture and Theory organized by Anveshi Research centre for women studies, Hyderabad and Centre for study of culture and society, Bangalore, Hyderabad on 13th-16th August 1999

‘Philosopher-Saint Potuluri Veerabrahmendra Swamy’, 11th International Conference of Vedanta jointly organized by Osmania University and University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad on 9th -11th August 1999

Research Projects (Major Grants/Research Collaboration)

Awards and Distinctions
Association With Professional Bodies
<p>Member, Board of Studies of Philosophy, Assam University, Silchar Member, Board of Studies of Philosophy, Ladakh University Coordinator, UGC LOCF (Learning Outcomes- Based Curriculum Framework for Under Graduate Education) Delhi University Team- For B.A Philosophy Courses : Social and Political Philosophy, Indian Materialism, Philosophical Thought of B.R. Ambedkar Chairman, Philosophy Research Committee, Indian Academy of Social Sciences organized 46th Indian Social Science Congress Convener, Departmental Seminar Committee Member, Committee for Revision of Syllabus of UGC NET Philosophy(2018) Member, Delhi University Court Member, Departmental Research Committee, Dept. of Philosophy, DU Member, M. Phil committee, Dept. of Philosophy, DU Member, Post Graduate Course Committee, Dept. of Philosophy, DU Member, School Board of Humanities, Pondicherry University from 2002 to 2015 Member, Board of Studies (UG&PG), in Philosophy, Pondicherry University, 2002-2015 Member, Board of Studies, Yoga studies, Bangalore University, Bangalore,2011-2015 Member, Constitution committee for Bharat Ratna Ambedkar Chair, Pondicherry University, Puducherry Chief Editor, Bahujana Keratalu (Political, Literary and Cultural magazine in Telugu),2013-2015 Secretary, Society of Indian Journal of Philosophy, Religion and Culture (Pondicherry University) Member of Advisory Board, Scholar Critic (International Interdisciplinary Journal)</p>
Other Activities

Signature of Faculty Member

