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Current Position:        Associate Professor  
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Previous Position: 1. Associate Professor, Department of History, CCS University Meerut.  
2. Assistant Professor and Head.  
                                 Department of History, University of Gour Banga, Malda.  
3. Assistant Professor, Department of History.  
Balurghat Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Balurghat, South Dinajpur.

Total Teaching Experience: 10 years 7 months.

Areas of Interest: Indian Diaspora, Hindu politics, Cultural History.

**Academic Background:**

1. Passed Secondary Examination in 1998 with First Division and Star securing 85% marks.

2. Passed Higher Secondary Examination (Humanities) in the year 2000 with First Division and star securing 78.8% marks.
3. Passed the B.A Honours examination in the subject History in the year 2003 with pass subjects Philosophy and Political Science with 60% marks.
4. Passed the M.A examination in History in the year 2005 with 1st First Class First with Distinction securing 71.1%marks with two medals.
5. Qualified the National Eligibility Test (NET, UGC) in June 2005 and also qualified the State Level Eligibility Test (SLET, West Bengal College Service Commission) in February, 2006 for Lectureships in colleges and universities.
6. Awarded Ph.D degree in History in the year 2012 on 'Minor Political Parties and the Language of Politics in late colonial Bengal: Attitude, Adjustment and Reaction; 1921-1947.

**Research project:** Completed a research project on Bharatiya Jana Sangha from Indian Council of Historical Research, New Delhi. (1.1.2016---31.12.2017; Grant: Rs.4 Lakh)

Ongoing project: Research Contributor in the project on Social Theorising in Contemporary India by the ICPR and Madras Institute of Development Studies.

### **Professional Honours**

1. Received Charles Wallace India Trust Research Grant from British Council in the year 2014 for research studies in UK and worked at the British Library, London University Library, Baldwin Library, Cambridge,
2. Received UGC Associateship at the Indian Institute of Advance Study, Shimla, in 2015 and completed the first spell.
3. Received foreign travel grant from Indian Council of Social Science Research in 2013.
4. Received grant for short-term academic tour at College of Liberal Arts, University of Iowa, USA, 2016.
5. Invited as a speaker at the International Conference on Indian Diaspora at the Institute of Social Studies, Hague, Netherlands in 2017.

### **Books published:**

- 1.Minor Political Parties and the Language of Politics in late colonial Bengal (1921-47),Abhijeet Publication, New Delhi , 2014,11-120, 2013,ISBN 978-93-5074-101-6
- 2.Muslim Businessmen and Partition: A Bengal Experience, Authorspress, Authorspress, New Delhi, 2016, ISBN 978-93-5207-314-6
3. History and Hysteria: Essays in Bengal Studies, Kolikata Letter Press, Kolkata, 2017, ISBN 978-81-932349-2-1

#### 4. Exploring Hindutva: The Bharat Sevashram Sangha (Forthcoming)

#### **Details of Publications: (Papers in journals and chapters in edited books)**

1. Textualising Women As 'Hindu: The Bharat Sevashram Sangha perspective on Hindu Women in 20<sup>th</sup> Century, *Indian Historical Review*, Sage, Vol 44.2, ISSN, December, 2017

2. Muslim Businessmen and the Partition of Bengal: A Politics of Agreement ?, *Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences* (ISSN :0972-1401), Journal of the Indian Institute of Advanced Study, Shimla.

3. Beauty, Body and Modernity: Understanding Feminism in Contemporary India, *Karatoya*, Vol.6, March 2018, Department of History, University of North Bengal, ISSN 2229-4880

4. India and ASEAN: A Multifaceted Relationship, *Politico*, New Delhi, (ISSN), Vol II, No II, 2014

5. Women for Women: Understanding the Discourse of Devotional Singing in 19th century Maharashtra, *Indian Journal of Gender Studies*, ISSN, 2014

6. (In) Visible Women Visible History, *Muse India* journal, ISSN.2014.

7. Dilemmas in Bengal Politics: A Highlight on the Issue of Sovereign Bengal, *Indian Historical Studies*, ISSN, Department of History, St Joseph College, Tamilnadu.

8. Bengali Cinema After Partition, *Muse India* journal, ISSN.2015, July August.

9. Bengal Politics and the Dilemma of the Bengali Hindus, *Journal of Indian History*, by University of Kerala,

10. Reviewing the 2014 Lok Sabha Poll in West Bengal: A Focus, *Politico*, Vol 4, No2, New Delhi, ISSN 2322-0686

11. The Rhetoric of Dying Hindus....., in Dr Ratna Ghosh Edited, *The Study of Social History: Recent Trends*, Kolkata, 2015, ISBN 978-81-8064-210-4

12. Anglo Tibet Relation: An Imbroglio, *Emerging Asia*, edited by Dr.S Singh, New Delhi, 2015, pp.111-118, ISBN 978-81-8274-806-4

13. Situating Buddhism in the Context of the Present Changing World, in *Language and Truth in Buddhism*, edited by Prof Raghunath Ghosh and Jotish Basak, 2009, New Delhi, pp 116-127, ISBN 81-7211-291-2

14. Swami Vivekananda: The Man and his Message, in *Swami Vivekananda and National Integration*, edited by Dr Prajit Kr Palit, New Delhi, 2013, pp.262-268, ISBN, 978-81-926244-2-62

15. Rastriya Nipiran O Drohi Rabindranath, in *Rabibdranath O Rajniti*, edited by Prof S Bera, Kolkata, 2013, pp.64-67. ISBN 81-87098-59-7 ( Bengali)

16. Bharater *Sammyo Sadhana O Swami Vivekananda*’, in the book *Bahurupe Swamiji*, edited by Dr. Asoke Kr Roy, 2013, pp.97-104, ISBN 978-93-80036-51-9 (Bengali)
17. Beauty, Body and Media: How to be a complete woman?, in *Gender and Modernity*, Kolkata, edited by Amitava Chatterjee ,2015, pp.244-257, ISBN 978-93-80677-74-3
18. Hinduising the Hindus and Politicising the Consciousness: A Focus on Bharat Sevashram Sangha in late Colonial Bengal’, in the *Proceedings of the Indian History Congress, 73<sup>rd</sup> Session*, Mumbai, 2013pp.697-706, ISSN 2249-1937
19. ‘In Search of an alternative....*The Speckled Canvas: A Contemporary Transdisciplinary Probe into the Society Literature and culture of Bengal over last Hundred Years*. by the Board of Editors, Khandra College, Kolkata, 2015
20. Anglo Tibet Relation: An Imbroglia, in *Emerging Asia*, edited by Dr.S Singh, New Delhi, 2015, pp.111-118, ISBN 978-81-8274-806-4
21. India’s Soft Power Approaches in Southeast Asia: Challenges and Expectations, in *Modi’s Foreign Policy*, edited by N.N.Jha, New Delhi, 2016, ISBN 978-81-8274-873-6
22. Dr.B.R.Ambedkar on Indian Women’, in *Relevance of Ambedkar Today*, edited by Dr.S.Singh, New Delhi, 2017, ISBN, 978-81-8274-947-4
23. Gendering Public Policy, in Dr. Kamlesh Gupta edited, *State and Public Policy*, New Delhi, ISBN-10: 9386618230.
24. Women and peace, in Dr.A.Chatterjee, edited book, Primus Publications ( forthcoming)
12. Published a full length article in Bhashanagar, Book Fair Issue, 2019-- a UGC approved Bengali journal from Kolkata.

### **Seminars, Conferences and Workshops. (National, International and State Level)**

1. Presented paper on Citizenship and Identity in the ICRP organised conference on Security and Sovereignty at University of Budapest, Budapest, Hungary from 15<sup>th</sup> -16<sup>th</sup> November, 2018.
2. Presented paper on Reconciling Boundaries and identities: The World of Bengali Intellectualism in early 20<sup>th</sup> century America, in the International Seminar on Challenging Perspectives on Indian Diaspora: A Global Conference On Diaspora and Politics, organised by the International Institute of Social Studies and Lalla Rookh Foundation, The Hague, Netherlands from 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> October, 2017
3. Presented paper on the topic “*Endangering the Female Body and the Crisis of Modernity*” in the 21st Conference of the International Federation of Social Science Organizations in collaboration with the Yildiz Technical University and Istanbul Foundation of Science and Culture from 9<sup>th</sup>-10 April ,2013 in Turkey
4. Presented paper on” *Where is She? Indian Women and the Modern State; Some Undefined Agendas*’, in the International seminar organised by the Department of History, University of North Bengal, from 18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2013.

5. Presented paper in the international seminar in the Vidyasagar University in collaboration with the Dacca University, Bangladesh and MAKIAS, from 30<sup>th</sup> May to 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2012.
6. Contributed paper on the topic of “ *Science, Spirituality and the Creation of Indian Modernity*” in the 10<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Social Philosophy from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2011, in the Jaganath University, Dacca, Bangladesh.
7. Presented paper on ‘*Women and Peace*’ in the international conference at Rajiv Gandhi Centre for Chair in Social Science, University of Allahabad, 2014
8. Presented paper on the topic “*Hinduising the Hindus and Politicising the Consciousness*” in the Seventy Third Indian History Congress, Mumbai University, from 28<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> December, 2012.
9. Presented paper on the topic on “*From Integration to Militarization*” *The Bharat Sevashram Sangha*” in a National Seminar, organised by the Malda Women’s’ College from 13<sup>th</sup> January to 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2012.
10. Presented paper on the topic “*Rethinking Rabindranath in the Light of Buddhist Humanism*” in the UGC sponsored National seminar held on 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2011, organised by the Department of History, University of North Bengal.
11. Presented paper on the topic” *Philosophy of Chaitanya and Indian Culture*”, in the National Seminar organised by the Department of Philosophy, Viswabharati University, Santiniketan from 30<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> March. 2013
12. Presented paper in the topic “ *In Quest of the Nation: The Dialectic of Nationalism in the writings of Kazi Nazrul Islam*” in the UGC sponsored National Seminar organised by the Department of Bengali, Kaliachak College, Malda from 21<sup>st</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2011.
13. Presented paper on the topic “*The Dissent of Tagore in the World of Sufferings*”, in the UGC sponsored National Seminar organised by the Department of Bengali in the Malda Women’s’ College, from 22<sup>nd</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2011
14. Presented paper on the topic “*Situating Buddhism in the context of Present changing World*”, in the National Seminar organised by the Centre for Buddhist Study, Department of Philosophy, University of North Bengal, from 9<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2007.
15. Presented paper on the topic “ *Domesticating the Hill Stations of colonial India*” in the UGC sponsored state level seminar organized by the Department of History, Nagar College, Murshidabad from 18<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2009.
16. Presented paper on the topic “*Conceptualising the Nation and Searching for an Alternative*”, in the UGC sponsored State level seminar organised by the Raiganj Surendaranath College from 27<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> August, 2008.
17. Presented paper on the topic “*The Question of Identity and the demand for Pakistan*” in the state level seminar organised by the Institute of Historical Studies, Kolkata on 18<sup>th</sup> June, 2007.
18. Presented paper on the topic “*From Dominance to Decadence: The Politics of the Krisak Praja Party*” in the 71<sup>st</sup> Session of the Indian History Congress, from 11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> February, 2011, organised by the Department of History, University of Gour Banga, Malda.
19. Presented paper on the topic’ *Imagining the ‘Nation’; Cinema in the decades after partition: A view from West Bengal*, in the international conference on History of Bengal: Past, Present and Future, organised by the Department of History, University of Gour Banga, Malda. 2014

20. Presented paper on 'Feminization of Goddesses and the Divinization of Women...' at UGC sponsored national seminar, organised by ICPR and Department of Philosophy, Visva Bharati University, Shantiniketan, 2015
21. Presented paper on 'History of fragment or the fragmented history? Muslim Businessmen in Bengal and the politics of partition` in the 75<sup>th</sup> Session of the Indian History Congress, University of Gour Banga, Malda
22. Presented paper on Spiritualization of Politics and Sri Aurobindo Ghosh in Bengal in the national seminar organized by the Society for Social Empowerment, New Delhi in collaboration with Nehru Memorial Museum and Library and ICHR in January, 2016
23. Presented paper on Dr Shyama Prasad Mookerjee and the Politics of Alternative Hindutva, in the ICPR sponsored national seminar at the Department of Philosophy, University of Delhi in March, 2016
24. Presented Paper on the Ayran Invasion Question and Dr. B.R Ambedkar in the international seminar organised by the Society for Social Empowerment, New Delhi in collaboration with Nehru Memorial Museum and Library in May, 2016
25. Took part in the workshop preparing self learning materials, sponsored by Distance Education Centre, University of North Bengal.
26. Took part in the CAS workshop organised by the IQAC, University of Gour Banga.
27. Took part in the CBCS workshop organised by the IQAC, University of Gour Banga.
28. Presented paper on Celebrating Women and the Nation: Reading Swami Vivekananda, in the ICPR sponsored national seminar on Swami Vivekananda, organised by the Society for Social Empowerment and the Santhigiri Institute, Kerala, from 27.2.17- 28.2.17
29. Presented paper on Muslim businessmen and the Partition of Bengal: A politics of Agreement? In the IAS, Shimla on 29<sup>th</sup> October, 2015
30. Presented paper on the Philosophy of Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyay at the national seminar organised by the Department of Philosophy, Manipur central University, Manipur in February, 2018.

**Invited Speaker on national and international platform:**

1. Delivered lecture on India Partition and Literature at Department of English, University of Iowa, USA.
2. Delivered lecture at 'Samanay', Indian Language Festival ,at India Habitat Centre, New Delhi on 9<sup>th</sup> Nov,2014, in a session titled,' One Language Two Countries`
3. Delivered lectures at the Mumbai Gateway Literary Festival, February 2016, sponsored by the Sahitya Academy, New Delhi, on the panel, 'Regional Writings and Women` and 'The Literature from North East India.`
4. Read translated poetry at the BAK national festival on Regional Literature and Women at India International Centre, New Delhi, March, 2017.
5. Delivered lecture on English As the New Vernacular, Shyamaprasad College, Kolkata, 2014
6. Delivered lecture on Swaraj Party, Motilal Nehru and Deshbandhu Chittaranjan Das at Department of Political Science, UGB, Malda

7. Delivered lecture at the Department of English, Jogesh Chandra Choudhury College, Kolkata on 'Renascent Europe'.
8. Delivered a special lecture on Integral Humanism at a seven days workshop at the Department of Political Science, CCS University, Meerut, U.P.
9. Delivered a panel lecture at Young Writers Festival of Sahitya Academy at Impahl. 2018.
10. Delivered special lecture at the Deptment of History, Kazi Nazrul University, Asansol in December, 2018.
11. Delivered two lectures as resource persons in the Women's Studies Refresher Course at the Vidyasagar University, Midnapore, W.B.
12. . Delivered a lecture as a resource person in the national conference on Nationalism in Maharastra at Sonai College, Aurangabad, Maharastra in February 2019.
13. . Delivered a lecture as resource person in an international seminar at the Department of International Relations at Ranchi Central University, Jharkhand in March, 2019.

#### **Foreign countries visited for academic purpose:**

Hungary, Italy, Turkey, United Kingdom, United States of America, France, Netherlands, Bangladesh

#### **Extra Curricular Activities.**

1. Passed B.Muse ( Sangeet Pravakar) in Indian Classical Music with silver medal from Prayag Sangeet Samity, Allahabad.
2. Passed 5<sup>th</sup> year in Indian Kathak Dance from Prayag Sangeet Samity Allahabad.
3. Published two collection of Bengali poetry, Meaao and Ami Jadavpur Hote Chaini.. Published one collection of poetry in English and a novella in Bengali from Dhaka. (forthcoming)
4. Participated in Bombay Gateway Literary Festival in the year 2015.
5. Participated in Bharatiya Bhasha Mahotsav at New Delhi in 2016.
6. Participated in BAK, Raza Foundation Bi-Anneanle Literaty Meet, New Delhi in 2017 and 2019.
7. Spoke at the panel on 'Why Do I Write' at Sahitya Academy Young Writers Festival at Imphal, Manipur in 2018.
8. Spoke at the panel on Partition and Literature at ZEE Arth Festival at Kolkata in 2019.
9. Read poetry at All India Radio and Doordarshan.
10. Published poems in the journal 'Indian Literature` of the Sahitya Academy, New Delhi.
11. Participated in the VAK Raza Foundation Festival of asian Poetry at Iic, New Delhi in February, 2019.
12. Awarded with the Bharatia Bhasha Parishad Award for her contribution as a young Bengali poet in March, 2019.

**Experience as a former and existing member of different administrative /academic bodies:**

1. Head and Coordinator of the Department of History, University of Gour Banga, Malda
2. Convenor, BOS, History , P.G, University of Gour Banga, Malda
3. Convenor, BOS, History, UG, University of Gour Banga, Malda
4. Convenor, BRS, History University of Gour Banga, Malda
5. Member, BOS, UG, Women's Studies, University of Gour Banga, Malda
6. Coordinator, NSS, University of Gour Banga, Malda
7. Member, M.Phil--Ph.D central monitoring committee, University of Gour Banga, Malda
8. Assistant Dean of Students Welfare, CCS University, Meerut.
9. Member, UG BOS, KNU, Asansol.
10. Member, Society for Social Empowerment, New Delhi.

**Research supervision:** One M.Phil awarded.  
One, Ph.d ( pre submission seminar completed)  
Two Ph.d in progress.