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Educational Qualification

Ph. D. (Sanskrit) March 2016 University of Mumbai

“Cosmic bodies in the Mahapuranas:

A ritualistic, mythological and
astronomical study”

NET for Lectureship June 2012 UGC

Bachelor of Education (B.Ed) April 2005 University of Mumbai

Masters of Arts (M.A) (Sanskrit) April 2004 University of Mumbai

Bachelor of Arts (B.A) (Sanskrit) April 2002 University of Mumbai

P.G. Advanced Diploma April, 2010 Dept. of Sanskrit,
in Comparative Mythology University of Mumbai

P. G. Diploma in April, 2006 Dept. of Sanskrit,
Comparative Mythology University of Mumbai

Other Academic Certificates:

Four-week Faculty 21st Aug. to TLC Ramanujan College
Induction Programme 19th Sept. University of Delhi with
2022 Bareilly College, Bareilly,

U.P., Hindu College,
Moradabad, U.P. under the
aegis of Ministry of
Education, Pandit Madan
Mohan Malaviya National
Mission on Teachers and
Teaching

RUSA sponsored online refresher 1st Feb. to 13th Feb. 2021
course in Indian Languages UGC, HRD Centre,
University of Mumbai

Academic Experience:

- At present: Associate Professor,
K. J. Somaiya Institute of Dharma Studies,
Somaiya Vidyavihar University,
Ph. D. Guide for Sanskrit and Buddhist Studies
- August 2019 – 28.2.2022 Assistant Professor,
K. J. Somaiya Institute of Dharma Studies,
Somaiya Vidyavihar University
- May 2014 to August 2019: Assistant Professor,
K.J. Somaiya Centre for Buddhist Studies
(Affiliated to University of Mumbai)
- Nov. 2012 – April 2014: Lecturer, K.J. Somaiya Centre for Buddhist Studies
- 2012 – 2017: Visiting faculty, Dept. of Sanskrit,
University of Mumbai
- Jan. 2013 – April 2013 Visiting Faculty, Centre for Excellence in Basic Sciences,
University of Mumbai & Dept. of Atomic Energy
- Jan. 2012 – April 2012 Visiting Faculty, Centre for Excellence in Basic Sciences,
University of Mumbai & Dept. of Atomic Energy
- 2010 – 2012: Ph. D Research Dept. of Sanskrit,

- 2009 – 2010: University of Mumbai
Visiting faculty, Dept. of Sanskrit,
University of Mumbai
- Dec. 2005 – May 2007: Bharata College of Fine Arts & Culture,
Sarfojiraje Bhosale Research Centre, Curry Road, Mumbai
(Affiliated to Kavi Kulguru Kalidas Univeristy)
- 2005 – 2007: Teaching Faculty, Wilson College,
Chowpati, Mumbai, (contract basis)
- Sept. 2005 – Jan. 2006: R. Jhunjhunwala Junior College,
Ghatkopar, Mumbai (on Leave Vacancy)

Areas of Interest:

Indian Mythology, Buddhist Sanskrit language and literature, Vedic, Epic and Purāṇa literature, Narrative literature

Funded Projects:

- P.I. – Ashtaadashi grant, Central Sanskrit University, New Delhi, 9.2.4. Summer Course Project – Workshop on Sanskrit, Prakrit, Buddhist Sanskrit – 2022-23 (ongoing)
- Co. P. I. Ashtaadashi grant, Central Sanskrit University, New Delhi, बालगीतशतकम्, Children’s literature project – 2022-23 (ongoing)
- Co. P.I. (Thematic Area Code (TAC) 106: IKS based approaches to artistic traditions), IKS Research Centre, Funded by Ministry of Education, Govt. of India (ongoing)

Academic Assistance:

- Part of the team at KJSIDS: the Nodal Centre for Orientation in Capacity Building in the area of Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS) for the state of Maharashtra. Assisted in developing the model syllabus for Indian Knowledge Systems - UG programme
- Involved in the creation of syllabi for the Diplomas and post graduate programmes of the Institute. Contributed to the development of syllabi of M. A. Buddhist Studies, M. A. Ancient Indian History, Culture and Archaeology, M. A. Hindu Studies

- Developed the syllabus for Minors degree programme (under SVU) in Narrative literature. This programme explores the processes of transmission and adaptations of stories, in different cultures.
- Developed the syllabus for Diploma in Buddhist Sanskrit: Language and Literature which equips the students with materials and skills to read Buddhist Sanskrit texts as early as possible along with discussion on special features of language known as ‘hybrid’
- Member of BOS of Sanskrit, PTVA’s Sathaye College (Autonomous), Mumbai
- Member of BOS of AIHc and Buddhist Studies, University of Mumbai

Academic Content Writer: “Places associated with Buddhism”, Course Material
Module 4 - English and Marathi version, M. A. History
Sem. III- Paper 1, IDOL, University of Mumbai, July 2022

Publications:

1. ‘Story of Aṅgāraka (A review through the Purāṇas)’, Journal of the Anantacharya Indological Research Institute, (Peer reviewed journal), Vol. III, **2020-21**, pp. 137 - 142. (ISSN No. 2582-614X)
2. ‘The Great Dissolution and the Role of Manu’, *Brahmavidyā - The Adyar Library Bulletin*, Vol 84, **2020**, pp. 223-239 (UGC-CARE list Sr. no. 43)
3. ‘The Narrative of Sāma: A comparative Study’, *Brahmavidyā - The Adyar Library Bulletin*, Vols. 78-79, **2014-2015**, pp. 443-458
4. ‘Story of Mittavinda and fruition of *karma* - A Comparative Analysis’, The 4th volume of the ‘*Journal of the International Association of Buddhist Universities*’, Thailand, **2013**, Special edition electronic version
5. ‘An Understanding of Buddhist Ethics in view of Economic Ethics’, *Brahmavidya – The Adyar Library Bulletin*, vol. no. 76-77 (**2012-13**) pp. 189-207

6. Divakaran P. P., Bavare Bhagyashree, 'Genesis and Early Evolution of Decimal Enumeration: Evidence from Number Names in *Ṛgveda*', *Indian Journal of History of Science*, December **2013** issue
7. 'Compositions of Pandit Ogeti Parikshita Sharma – with special reference to his two Mahākāvyas', '*Emerging Trends in Contemporary Sanskrit Literature*', Nag Publishers, Delhi, **2013**, ISBN 81-70-81-687-4
8. 'The origin of decimal counting: Analysis of number names in the *Ṛgveda*', *Gaṇita Bhāratī, Bulletin of the Indian Society for History of Mathematics*, Vol. 32 (**2010**), No. 1-2, June – December
9. Bavare Bhagyashree, Shetti Mahesh, Divakaran P. P., 'Laghubhāskarīyavivarāṇa of Śāṅkaranārāyaṇa: Its significance in the history of Kerala astronomy', *Indian Journal of History of Science*, March **2010** issue

Research Experience:

- 2016-2017: Content writer for e-version of the Marathi Vishvakosh, Maharashtra Rajya Marathi Vishvakosh Nirmitti Mandal
- May 2012 – October 2012: Research fellow under the Departmental Fellowship for Ph.D. students, Department of Sanskrit, University of Mumbai
- Jan. 2010 – Jan. 2012: Research Fellow, Vice-Chancellor's scheme of Research Fellowship, Department of Sanskrit, University of Mumbai
- 2011: Assisted in the research work for 'Sanskrit Thesaurus on mobile' at the initial stage of the project at the Dept. of Sanskrit, University of Mumbai in association with khandbahale.com.
- May 2007 – Nov. 2009: Project Assistant at Tata Institute of Fundamental Research

(TIFR), Mumbai, (Project: Archaeo-astronomy in Indian Context)

- 2008: Assisted Dr. Sandhya Purecha in translation of the text named Sangita Darpana of Catura Damodara (Nrityadhyaya), published by Shri Sarfojiraje Bhosale Research Centre, Mumbai, 2008.
- Dec. 2005 – March, 2006: Worked as Content Writer for IL&FS for converting lessons from Sanskrit texts of CBSE (Std. 6th -8th) in the series of animated lectures.

Institutional projects:

- Co-ordinating for the translation activities at the institute.
- Assisted in the Marathi translation of books by Bhikkhu Bodhi undertaken by the institute
- Completed the research project on ‘Economic Ethics in Buddhist Perspective’ under Ministry of Culture - Development of Buddhist/Tibetan culture and art in 2015

Paper Presentations:

- Talk on *Vedaang Jyotish and evolution of Panchang* at the Centre for Hindu Studies, University of Mumbai on 29th July 2023
- Lecture on ‘*Epics – Cultural studies in Ramayana & Mahabharata*’ for the Indology Course at Vivekanand Prabodhini, Jana Seva Kendra Project, Mumbai on 23rd Aug. 2022
- Talk on ‘*Prachina Bharatiya Sahityika*’ for 'Swatantra Bharat 75 lecture series (YouTube channel) Vivekanand Prabodhini, Jana Seva Kendra Project in association with Suvidya Prasarak Sangh, Mumbai on 5th February, 2022
- ‘*Angāraka (The Planet Mars): Variety of Depictions as Seen in the Purāṇas*’, presented in the 11th IASR National Conference on Religion and Society: Reflections on the Indic Paradigm held on 25th and 26th February, 2021

- ‘Identity of Yashodhara’, presented in two-day seminar on Religion and Gender organised on 2nd and 3rd March, 2019, by the K J Somaiya Centre for Buddhist Studies
- ‘Milinda Pañha: A Pedagogical Model’ presented in one day interdisciplinary national seminar on ‘*Emerging Trends in Education (An Interdisciplinary Approach)*’. K. J. Somaiya College of Arts and Commerce, 7th Feb. 2018
- ‘Survivors of the Great Dissolution’, presented in ‘*Dimensions of Vaiṣṇava Mahāpurāṇas*’, Department of Sanskrit, University of Mumbai and the Bhaktivedanta Vidyapith Research Centre, 19-20th January 2018
- ‘Significance of the Ta Prohm temple’ presented in the workshop on *Angkor in International Buddhist Circuit*, APSARA, Siem Reap, Cambodia, 5th October 2017
- Conducted a one-day workshop on ‘Buddhist Hybrid Sanskrit’ at the Department of Sanskrit, University of Mumbai on 24th August, 2016.
- ‘An Understanding of Buddhist Ethics in view of Economic Ethics’ presented at the 5th *International conference of SLABS on ‘Buddhism and current global challenges*’, Colombo, 6th to 8th Sept. 2013
- ‘Selected Supplementary texts for Aṣṭādhyāyī –I, Texts - Mahābhāṣya, Kāṣikā, Prakriyā Kaumudī’, *Workshop on ‘Facets of Sanskrit Grammar*’, Department of Sanskrit, University of Mumbai, 2nd to 5th July, 2012
- ‘The origin of decimal counting: Analysis of number names in the Rigveda’, *ICM satellite conference on "Mathematics in Ancient Times"*, Kozhikode, Kerala, 29 August 2010 to 1 September 2010 (published as a paper in the journal *Ganita Bharati*)
- ‘Decimal system in India: Origins in the Rigveda’ in *2-day mini-workshop on the theme of "European and Indian Approaches to Calculus"*, IUCAA, Pune, November 17th-18th, 2009
- ‘Shunahshepa Akhyana: Kahi Samajika Sandarbha’, *Prachya Vidya Parishad - Pune*, held in Goa, December 2003 (appreciated by the referees)
- ‘Śukasārikādīpralāpana’, *Oriental Research Institute – Thane*, December 2002

Co-curricular:

- Coordinator for the International Conference on Reflections on Ramayana from 2nd to 4th February 2023 organised at KJSIDS in collaboration with Central Sanskrit University, New Delhi, Ayodhya Research Institute -Department of Culture, U. P. Government, Lucknow and K J Somaiya College of Arts and Commerce, Mumbai
- Co-coordinator for the workshop on ‘Narratives in the Upanishads’, on 15th March 2021 organised by the K J Somaiya Institute of Dharma Studies, SVU
- Organised the online lecture series on " Ancient Indian Mathematics and Astronomy" from 29th June to 1st July 2020 at the K J Somaiya Centre for Buddhist Studies, SVU
- Assisted in organizing a three-day workshop on ‘Calculations in ancient Indian Astronomy’ For UM-DAE, Centre for Excellence in Basic Sciences, Mumbai, Special invitees – Dr. Balachandra Rao - Bangalore, Mohan Apte - Mumbai, Dr. Uma - Bangalore, Dr. Padmaja - Bangalore
- Attended the workshops on ‘conservation & preservation of manuscripts’ organized by the Dept. of Sanskrit, University of Mumbai
- Actively participated in the organization of various events and state level intercollegiate competitions being a part of Student Council at College level
- Assisted Dr. Mrs. Saroj Singh in the translation of the Sanskrit text ‘Kuttakarashiromani’ by Devaraja in 2008-2009
- Secured 2nd rank in the compereing competition at *Kalasangam* 2004, organized by Akhila Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad, University of Mumbai
- Completed Master Diploma in Bharatanatyam conducted by Bharatiya Sangeeta Samiti, Mumbai

Languages Known:

Proficiency in English, Sanskrit, Hindi, Marathi

Elementary proficiency in Tibetan and Pali

Place: Mumbai

Date: 3.10.2023

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