

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Occupational Status:

Professor, Department of Sociology West Bengal State University

Director, Centre for Comparative Social Theory

Work Experience:

- Worked as a Senior Lecturer in Sociology at Mahishadal Girls' College, Mahishadal (2000 December - 2009 September).
- Worked as a U.G.C. F.I.P. Doctoral Teacher Fellow at The Centre for Studies in Social Sciences Calcutta, under the Supervision of Dr. Pradip Bose, Professor in Sociology and received the doctoral degree (dissertation entitled Interrogating the Nature of Construction: Bengali Woman in Retrospect) from the University of Calcutta, 2010.
- Worked as a U.G.C. N.E.T. Junior Research Fellow at The Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta (1998-2000).
- Worked as a Guest Lecturer in Sociology at Lady Brabourne College (1997-2000) and Asutosh College (1999-2001) Kolkata.

Visiting Lecturer:

- School of Women's Studies, Jadavpur University
- Women's Studies Research Centre, University of Calcutta
- Department of Education, University of Calcutta
- Departments of History, English, West Bengal State University

Research Supervision:

- 1) Titir Chatterjee (Supervisor 2018, PhD) on Sexuality among Young Adults in Kolkata: A Study of Changing Attitudes and Practices completed and awarded PhD degree, Department of Sociology, West Bengal State University
- 2) Tanusree Kundu (Co-supervisor 2020, PhD) Narratives of Becomings: Re-conceptualizing Hijra Identities completed and awarded at the School of Women's Studies, Jadavpur University

- 3) Sanjukta Gupta (Supervisor 2016, MPhil) on Pro-Women Bollywood Movies: A Sociological Analysis – completed and awarded M Phil degree, Women’s Studies Research Centre, University of Calcutta
- 4) Nandita Sarkar, National Fellow, SC (Supervisor, PhD continuing) on Madhyamik Shikkha Bebosthay Lingoboishomyo: Malda Jelabhittik ekti Somajattik Somikhha, Department of Sociology, West Bengal State University
- 5) Bishakha Nandy, NET SRF (Supervisor, PhD continuing) on A life corrected? An inquiry into the lives of women ex-inmates, Department of Sociology, West Bengal State University
- 6) Mahua Ray (Supervisor, PhD continuing) on Violence in conjugal life: A Sociological Study in Kolkata, Department of Sociology, West Bengal State University
- 7) Kohinur Khatun (Supervisor, PhD continuing), on Atmagothon O Matritter Rajniti, Department of Sociology, West Bengal State University
- 8) Devashish Rai (Supervisor, PhD continuing) on Dynamics of Livelihood and Labor in Everyday Life: A Sociological study of selected Unorganized Workers in Darjeeling, Department of Sociology, West Bengal State University

Administrative and Professional activities

(Within WBSU)

- Director, Centre for Comparative Social Theory
- Head of the department of Sociology and Convener U.G.B.O.S., P.G.B.O.S., B.R.S., department of Sociology, West Bengal State University from December 2015 to March 2021.
- Member of the University Inspection Team for the extension of affiliation in Sociology to the affiliated colleges.
- Member of the Institutional Ethics Committee for Research on Human Subjects, WBSU.
- Member of the University Complaints Committee, WBSU (till 2016)
- Joint Convener of a National Seminar on ‘Indian Sociology and Indology: Interfaces and Interruptions’ in collaboration with The Asiatic Society, Kolkata on 21st and 22nd June 2017.
- Joint Convener of a National Seminar on Social Exclusion and Intolerance in India: Challenges and Possibilities organized by Department of Sociology West Bengal State University on 30th and 31st of March 2016.
- Organizer/Convener of various yearly programs for the PG and PhD Students, Department of Sociology, WBSU: PhD Course Work, Special Lectures, Students’ Seminar, Workshop on Academic Writing, Workshop on Mental Health and Self-Defense (for the girl students), Career Counseling and NGO meet.

(Wider Professional activities)

- Member of the M. Phil Board of Studies Women's Studies Research Centre, University of Calcutta (2005-2017).
- Member of the Academic Committee, School of Women's Studies, Jadavpur University (2013-15)
- Member of the Text Book Committee, Women's Studies Research Centre, University of Calcutta (2013-15)
- Examiner of PhD and M. Phil dissertations, Jadavpur University (School of Women's Studies, Department of English and Comparative Literature), Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Presidency University

Publications

- Published an edited volume in Bangla entitled *Naribader Nana Paath* Kolkata: Ananda Publishers 2021 (ISBN- 978-93-5425-080-2).
- Published an essay entitled "Pradip Kumar Bose (1946–2021) A Maverick in Many Fields" in *Economic and Political Weekly* (EPW) LVI: No 29 (July 2021) pp 29-31 (ISSN: 01-12-9976)
- Published an essay entitled "'Indian' Modernity': Feminist Insinuations" in *Historicising Gendered Modernities in India* edited by Amitava Chatterjee, New Delhi: Primus Books 2020 pp 45-69 (ISBN-978-93-89850-00-0)
- Published an essay entitled *Women's Movement in Social Movements: Concepts, Experience and Concerns* edited by Biswajit Ghosh, New Delhi, Sage 2020 pp 209-228 (ISBN-978-93-532-8739-9)
- Published an essay entitled *Goopy Gayen Bagha Bayen: The Latent Contours of Caste in Sanglap: Journal of Literary and Cultural Inquiry* 6:1 (October 2019) pp 88-98 (ISSN: 23498064)
- Published an essay entitled *Kiki and the 'girl': A Moment of Reading between Deleuze and Feminism* in the *Journal of Deleuze and Guattari Studies* (Edinburgh University Press) No: 12.4 2018
- Published an essay entitled *Beyond the critique of Indology: a Moment of Reading Ambedkar* in *The Radical in Ambedkar: Critical Reflections*, edited by Anand Teltumbde and Suraj Yengde, New Delhi: Penguin Random House 2018
- Published an essay entitled *The Death of a Woman: An Amenable Allegory* in *The Visva-Bharati Quarterly* Volume 27 Number 2&3 2017 (ISSN-0972-043X)
- Published an essay entitled 'Reading Ajantrik: talking technicity' in *Following Forkhead Paths: Discussions on Narrative* edited by D. Dattaray, E. Halder and S. Bhattacharya Kolkata: Setu Prakashani, 2017. (ISBN 978-93-80677-93-4)
- Published an essay (in Bangla) entitled *Karmakhetre Shachchanda: ekti alochana* in *Nahi Shamanya Nari* edited by Mahasweta Mukhopadhyay and Aparna Bandyopadhyay Kolkata: Setu Prakashani, 2017. (ISBN-978-93-80677-96-5)
- Published an essay (in Bangla) entitled *Gharer Moddhe Phoara* in *Alochana Chakra* No. 42 2017. (ISSN-2231-3990)

- Published a Working paper entitled The caste-gender system: a necessary analytic of experience? in the *Working Paper series* published by the Research Council, TISS and the Centre for Social Theory, School of Development Studies, Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS) Mumbai 2016.
- Published an E Text module entitled “Feminist Methodology in Sociological Research” for e-PG Pathshala project in *Methodology of Research in Sociology* published by UGC, MHRD Govt. of India 2016.
- Published an E Text module entitled “Women’s Movement in India” for e-PG Pathshala project in *Social Movement* published by UGC, MHRD Govt. of India 2016.
- Published an article entitled “Reading *Gora*: a moment of re-membering *Bharatbarsha*” in an edited volume *Rabindranath Tagore’s Gora: A Critical Anthology* ed. Nandini Bhattacharya published by Primus Books New Delhi 2015 (ISBN: 978-93-84082-42-0).
- Published an article entitled “Jibaner Jharapata: Remembering Autobiography into the Nation” in an edited volume *Gender & Modernity* ed., Amitava Chatterjee published by Setu Prakashani Kolkata 2015 (ISBN: 978-93-80677-74-3).
- Published an article entitled “Reading *Ghare Baire*: Renegotiating Conjuality in the Moment of Nationalism” in a book entitled *Rabindranath Tagore and the Nation: Essays in Politics, Society and Culture* ed., Swati Ganguly and Abhijit Sen published by Punashcha in association with Visva-Bharati Kolkata. 2011 (ISBN: 978-81-7332-482-6)
- Published an article entitled “Chandra Talpade Mohanty’s Theorization of Third World Feminist Discourse: A Critical Appreciation” in a book entitled *The Gendered India: Feminism And The Indian Gender Reality* ed., Arnab Bhattacharya published by Books Way Kolkata (ISBN: 978-93-81672-00-6)
- Published an article entitled “Theorizing Women’s Writing: A Moment in Sexual Textual Politics” in the Proceedings of a UGC Sponsored National Seminar organized by Barasat Government College on *Women and Literature: Different Faces, Different Voices*, 2012 (ISBN: 978-93-80673-72-1)
- Published an article entitled “*Jibaner Jharapata*: Re-membering Autobiography into the Nation” in *Scripting the Nation: Bengali Women’s Writing, 1870s to 1960s*, Occasional Paper 9 published by The School of Women’s Studies Jadavpur University June 2009. (ISBN: 81-86954-45-7)
- Published an article entitled “Women’s movement in West Bengal: autonomy and affiliation” in *West Bengal Sociological Review*, The peer reviewed Annual Journal of Sociological Association of West Bengal. Vol.1. 2008. (ISSN-0975-9980)
- Published a review article on “Rabindranath Tagore’s *The Home and the World*: A Critical Companion” ed. Pradip Kumar Dutta in *Book Line* Vol. xii No.-5 2007.
- Published an article in Bangla “(Sang)sthaner Rajniti: Naribad O Derrida” in *Banglay Binirman/Abinirman*, ed., Anirban Das, a collection of articles on deconstruction published by Ababhas Publications, 2007. (ISBN 9788190475587)
- Published an article entitled “The Desired One: Thinking the Woman in the Nation” (co-authored by Anirban Das) in *History Compass Journal*, a peer reviewed e-journal published by Blackwell Publishing Limited. No 4 (2007).
- Published a review article on “Hindu Wife Hindu Nation by Tanika Sarkar” in *The Jadavpur Journal of Sociology*, Vol.-1, No.-1 November 2005.
- Published an article in Bangla on the autobiographical reconstructions of the agency of women in a colonial public space, focusing on the writings of Sarala Debi, in *Alochanachakra* Special Number on Feminist Theory, November 2005.

Forthcoming Publications

- Article entitled “The caste-gender system: a philosophical inquiry” in *The Journal of Indian Council of Philosophical Research (JICPR) Special Issue on Feminist Thought*.
- Article entitled “Churning out Change: a Moment of Reading Manthan” in an edited volume on the *Films of Shyam Benegal* by Edinburgh University Press

Journal Referee

- *Journal of The Sociological Association of West Bengal*.
- *The Jadavpur Journal of Sociology*
- *Jadavpur Journal of Comparative Literature*
- *South Asian History and Culture* (Special Issue on “Women Speak Nation: Gender, Culture and Politics”)

Lectures

Delivered invited lectures at a number of Universities and Research Institutes including University of Calcutta, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences Calcutta, Jadavpur University, Asiatic Society, Dr. Ambedkar Centre for Social Justice, University of Mumbai, Jawaharlal Nehru University, Savitribai Phule Pune University, Indian Statistical Institute, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Bethune College, Lady Brabourne College and in several national and international seminars, conferences and webinars. Delivered the *Pritilata Waddedar Memorial Lecture* at the School of Women’s Studies, Jadavpur University. Delivered Professional Lectures at the UGC Refresher Courses and Short-Term Courses on Social Research Methodology, Feminist Research Methodology and Gender Sensitization.