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Education

Ph. D. October 2006. Title of Thesis: '*The Sociological Analysis of an Environmental Movement: The case of Appiko, Uttara Kannada District*'. Supervisor: Prof. D.N. Dhanagare. Department of Sociology, **University of Pune, Pune.**

M.Phil. February 1994. Title of Dissertation: '*Underdevelopment Theories: A Gender Sensitive Critique*'. Supervisor: Prof. V. Xaxa, Dept. of Sociology, **Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi, Delhi.**

M.A. 1992. **1st Class with Distinction**, from **Dept. of Sociology, University of Pune, Pune.**

B.A.(Hons.) 1990. Political Science, from **Lady Shri Ram College for Women, University of Delhi, New Delhi.**

Senior Secondary School Certificate. 1987. Humanities, 1st Division, from The Holy Child Auxilium School, New Delhi.

Distinctions/Awards (College/University)

Member, **Editorial Advisory Committee - Sociological Bulletin.**

Invited to present a **public lecture**- "Making Sense of the Theory and Practice of Ecofeminism in India" as part of the "**Gender Frontiers Speakers**" series at **Brandon University, Brandon, Manitoba, Canada** on 15th October 2012.

Invited as **Visiting Fellow** to the Department of Sociology, Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi, Delhi from 15th November to 24th November 2010.

Awarded U.G.C.- J.R.F. in January 1999.

Awarded U, G,C.- N.E.T. in January 1996.

President, Students Council, (1989-'90) Lady Shri Ram College for Women, New Delhi.

Awarded Daulat R. Desai Prize for Leadership; Principals' Prize for Service to the College. L.S.R. New Delhi. 1990.

Secretary, Hiking club, L.S.R. New Delhi. 1988.

Work Experience

Currently working as **Assistant Professor (Stage 2)**, Department of Sociology, University of Mumbai, from 3rd April 2013 to date.

Worked as **Assistant Professor** in the P.G. Dept. of Sociology, S.N.D.T. Women's University, Mumbai, from 2nd January 2008 to 2nd April 2013.

Promoted under Career Advancement Scheme from Stage 01 to Stage 02 from 02 January 2012.

Worked as Executive Officer, Office of the Dean Resource Mobilization, Golden Jubilee Office, I.I.T. Bombay from July 2006 to January 2008.

Worked as **Lecturer** in the P.G. Dept. of Sociology, S.N.D.T. Women's University, Mumbai, from July 2000 to June 2002.

Worked as Documentation/ **Research Assistant** at Aalochana – Centre for Documentation and Research on Women, Pune, from 1995 to 1999.

Worked as **Research Assistant** on I.C.S.S.R. project on 'Patriarchy in the Context of the Changing Nature of Women's Work Within and Outside the Household', Women's Studies Centre, Department of Sociology, University of Pune, Pune. 1994 to 1995.

Taught Sociology as **Lecturer**, at the Competitive Exam Centre, University of Pune, for one term in 1994.

Worked as **Research Assistant** on an I.L.O project on the 'Impoverishment of Tribals by Development Induced Displacement', Indian Social Institute, New Delhi. 1993.

Guest Lectures:

Invited as Plenary Speaker, paper titled-'Neo-Liberalism and Nature: Seeds of Resistance', at National conference on '*Reweaving Terra Mater: Women, Ecology, Livelihood*', organized by Mithibai College on 11th and 12th January 2019.

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/entertainment/events/mumbai/mumbai-teachers-get-together-to-discuss-women-ecology-and-livelihood/articleshow/67553804.cms>

Guest lecture on 'Gender (In)justice & Environmental Issues', Department of German University of Mumbai, 23rd February 2018.

Invited as Resource person to deliver lecture on 'Concepts of Feminist Sociology and avenues for research', 25th November at Training Course on Research Methodology in Sociology, 20-29 November 2017, Institute of Indian Culture, Mumbai.

Invited as Resource person to deliver lecture on 'Environment & Gender', Refresher Course on Women & Social Sciences, September 27th 2017 – 17th October 2017, organized by UGC Human Resource Development Centre, University Of Mumbai.

Resource person for session titled 'Environmental Cultures and Gender' for the short term course on 'Gender and Culture' under RUSA, held at the Human Development Centre, University of Mumbai, on March 21, 2017.

Resource person for session titled- "Solar Mamas- Gender perspectives on energy", at Short Term Course on 'Renewable Energy & Its Applications', under RUSA (Rashtriya Uchatar Shiksha Abhiyan/ National Mission for Higher Education) at UGC Human Resource Development Center, University of Mumbai on 10th March 2017.

Taught Module on Globalization & Women's Development in the course Gender & Society for M.S.W. 1st year students of S.N.D.T. Women's University in March 2009.

Guest lecture on Gender & Environment at Elphinstone College on 25th July 2008.

Guest lecture on Gender, Development & Environment at Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay, Feb-March 2000.

Guest lecture on Gender and Development at:

- a) Womens' Studies Centre, University of Pune, 1997-98.
- b) College of Agriculture, Reserve Bank of India, 1997.
- c) Calgary Students Programme, University of Pune, 1997-98.
- d) Minnesota Studies in International Development-India Programme, Oct 1998.

University of Mumbai work

Coordinator of Short Term Course on 'Renewable Energy & Its Applications', under Rashtriya Uchatar Shiksha Abhiyan/ National Mission for Higher Education (RUSA) at UGC Human Resource Development Center, University of Mumbai, from 6th to 11th March 2017.

Conceptualized & co-ordinated Panel on 'Urban Commons: Negotiating the State & the Market' in National Seminar (under U.G.C.- S.A.P. Phase III 2015-2020) on 'Mumbai:

Colonial to Mega City, Structures, Processes and Movements’ on 17th & 18th March 2017.

Co-Ordinator of visit of Visiting Fellow Dr. Janaki Abraham, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi, from 21st to 24th February 2017.

Co-ordinator, 7th G.S.Ghurye memorial lecture titled-“The Material Basis of Caste & Patriarchy” by Prof. Uma Chakravarti, former Professor of History, University of Delhi, on 16-February 2017 at J.P. Naik Bhavan, University of Mumbai, Mumbai.

External referee for the Ph.D. Viva-voce on 14th December 2016 at Tilak Maharashtra University, Pune.

Member, Scrutiny Committee for Minor Research Grant, University of Mumbai, for the academic Year 2016-2017, 2017-2018.

Member, NAAC Steering committee for the University of Mumbai, since 2nd March 2016.

Co-Ordinator, for the Film Screening “She is Beautiful when She’s Angry” by American filmmaker, Mary Dore, in collaboration with The US Consulate General & the Gender Development Initiative of the Department of Sociology, University with Mumbai, held on 2nd March, 2016.

Co-Ordinator, National Conference on the theme “*Reframing the Environment: Resources, Risk & Resistance in Neoliberal India*”, on 21st & 22nd January, 2016 in the Department of Sociology, University of Mumbai.

Co-Ordinator for the Department of Sociology, 5th Ghurye Memorial Lecture, titled- 'Caste Tomorrow: Revisiting the Agenda of Annihilation', delivered by Prof. Satish Deshpande, Department of Sociology, Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi, on 4th March 2015 at Pheroze Shah Mehta Hall, University of Mumbai.

Co-Ordinator for the Academic Writing Workshop, for research students, facilitated by Dr. Padma Prakash on 26th & 27th of February 2015 at Department of Sociology.

Co-Coordinator, M.Phil programme task force, Department of Sociology, University of Mumbai. Programme started from October 2013.

Co-ordinator, Student extra- curricular activities, Department of Sociology, University of Mumbai.

S.N.D.T. University Work

Publicity Committee member of Education Fair organized by S.N.D.T. Women's University from 27-29th January 2012 at S.N.D.T. Juhu Campus.

Reception Committee member of 61st Annual Convocation of S.N.D.T. Women's University held on Wednesday, December 7th 2011.

Editorial Committee member of E Newsletter committee, S.N.D.T. Women's University from 21 October '11.

Coordinator, Central Assessment Programme (C.A.P.) for M.A. Examinations 2007-2008, S.N.D.T. University from 15 May to 1 July 2008.

Coordinator, C.A.P. for M.Phil. Examinations 2007-2008, S.N.D.T. University from 16 June to 30 June 2008.

Scientific Committee member of *Avishkar* 2007-'08, the Inter University Research Festival from 10th to 12th January.

Professional Development Work

Invited as '**Subject Expert**' for **Board of Studies in Sociology**, at Smt. Maniben M. P. Shah Women's College of Arts and Commerce (Autonomous), Matunga, Mumbai (Affiliated to S.N.D.T. Women's University) for the period June 2019 to May 2022.

Invited Member, Sociology Committee, Balbharati, Maharashtra State Bureau of Textbook Production & Curriculum Research, Pune. May 2019.

Member, Sociology Syllabus Revision P.G. Sub Committee of S.P.P. Pune University since April 2019.

Reviewer for Syllabus Revision for the PhD course work, Dept. of Sociology, Tezpur University, April 2019.

Contributed to **SWAYAM**, MHRD, GoI- Module 26 on- Climate Change II- Theoretical Perspectives of Environmental Study. December 2018.

Peer Reviewer for Journal of Human Values, of the Management Centre for Human Values, Indian Institute of Management Calcutta, October 2018.

Peer Reviewer for the Indian Journal of Social Work of the Tata Institute of Social Sciences since April 2019.

Invited as Judge for the Inter-collegiate paper presentation organized by the department of Sociology, Shri M.D.Shah Mahila College, Malad (W) on 18th January 2019.

Completed a Short Term Course on Yoga for Healthy Mind & Body by the HRDC University of Mumbai from 10th December to 15th December 2018.

Peer Reviewer for Journal *Asian Women* of the Research Institute of Asian Women at Sookmyung Women's University (RIAW, located in Seoul, Korea) April 2018.

Academic Audit of U.G. Sociology courses of St. Mira's college, S.P. Pune University. January 2017.

Invited as Judge for Elocution Competition at Intercollegiate Indoor Tournaments & Elocution Competition organized by L.J.N.J. Mahila Mahavidyalaya in collaboration with S.N.D.T. Women's University, Mumbai on 10th August 2016.

Peer Reviewer for Journal *Cogent Social Sciences*, a multidisciplinary open access journal. Taylor & Francis Online. July 2016.

Invited as Chairperson for Interdisciplinary National Seminar on 'Human Rights Issues and Social Justice in India', organized by L.J.N.J. Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Vile Parle (E), Mumbai, on 15th & 16th March 2016

Completed with 'A' Grade, UGC sponsored Refresher Course at University of Mumbai from September 28, 2015 to October 17, 2015.

Peer Reviewer for Book Manuscript from Routledge India Publications. May 2015.

Invited as **Advisor**, on Interview Board of **Staff Selection Commission** recruitment and selection of middle level personnel for the offices of Government of India on 15 & 16 Jan 2015.

Completed with 'A' Grade, UGC sponsored Orientation Programme at University of Mumbai from November 15 to December 12, 2013.

Invited as Resource Person for NET/SET Workshop organized by Department of Post Graduate Studies & Research, S.N.D.T. Women's University, Mumbai in collaboration with Centre for Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy, S.N.D.T. Women's University, Mumbai on Friday, 15th April & Monday, 18th April 2011.

Invited to be on External Impact Assessment Team of Rural Communes, Mumbai, August 2010.

Invited as **Subject expert** in the selection panel for the appointment of Project Fellow in the Dr.BabasahebAmbedkar Centre for Social Justice,Department of Sociology University of Mumbai on 27th October 2009.

Invited to be part of **Course Development Team** for MA programme in School of Gender & Development Studies, I.G.N.O.U., New Delhi from 24-26 th July 2009

Member of Sub-Committee appointed by the Board of Studies in Sociology, S.N.D.T. Women's University, Mumbai for **re-structuring the syllabus** of the M.A. (P.G. level). Floated new courses on Political Sociology, Gender & Society, Disaster Management, Agrarian Society & Change.

Completed with 'A' Grade, UGC sponsored **Refresher Course-** Social Sciences (Interdisciplinary) at University of Mumbai from 3rd January to 22nd January 2011.

Participated in UGC sponsored **Capacity Building Workshop of Women Managers in Higher Education- Sensitivity/ Awareness/ Motivation Workshop**, organized by SNDT Women's University from 17th to 21st April 2012.

Participated in 6 day workshop on "Integrating ICT in Higher Education" organized by SNDT Women's University in collaboration with Commonwealth of Learning, Canada in November 2011.

Peer Reviewer for Journal- Gender, Technology and Development. Sage Publications.2013.

Editorial Advisory Board member for Journal- 'Quest in Education', Gandhi Shiksha Bhavan, Mumbai, since June 2014.

Courses Taught (Reworked & / Floated new)

M.A.:

Sociology of Environment(reworked course 2014; Gender & Society (reworked course 2014); Globalization & Society (reworked course 2014); Political Sociology; Sociology of Disaster Management(2012); Research Methodology; Theoretical Perspectives in Sociology; Recent Trends in Sociological Theory; Sociology of Social Movements (reworked course 2014), Gender Perspectives on Development (new course floated 2014), Classical Perspectives in Cultural Anthropology, Sociology of Development & Globalization (reworked course 2014); Debating the Commons (new course floated 2016).

M.Phil.:

Theoretical Perspectives; Environment and Society: Emerging Issues and Debates (reworked course 2013); Gender Issues in Contemporary India (reworked course 2013).

Ph.D.:

Recognized Ph.D. Guide in the subject of Sociology, **University of Mumbai** (since 2013) & **S.N.D.T. Women's University**, Mumbai (since March 2011).

Students enrolled for Ph.D.: 04
Dissertations Submitted- 02

Title: 'A Study of Muslim Women Workers in the Informal Economy of Bhiwandi' by Ms. Oneza Tanveer Farid. Submitted. University Department of Sociology, S.N.D.T. women's University, Churchgate, Mumbai. December 2018.

Title: 'Education and Changing Adivasi Identity: A Case Study of the Oraon's of Subdega and Balisankara Blocks of Sundergard District, Orissa', by Mr. Nirmal Dhanasamy. Department of Sociology, University of Mumbai. April 2019.

M.Phil.: Dissertations Submitted- 5

Title- 'A Gendered Understanding of the Everyday Life' by Ms. Abeer Khatri. Submitted. 31st March 2015. Degree Awarded

Title- 'Gender and Health: A Case Study of Raffiq Nagar Slum, Mumbai', by Ms. Annu Baranwal. Submitted 15th April 2016. Degree Awarded

Title- 'Politics of Conservation: State, Society & Issues of Denotification', by Ms. Bishnupriya Sahoo. Submitted 15th April 2016. Degree Awarded

Title- Politics of Development Aid: A Critical Analysis, by Ms. Sonya Ochaney. Submitted June 2017.

Title- An Ethnographic Study of the Mumbai Dance Bar(s): Post 2016 Regulation by Ms. Shraddha Gaikwad. June 2019.

M.A.: Dissertations Submitted- 2

Title- 'Destabilizing the Gender Binary: A Feminist perspective on the Hijra Community in India by Ms. Rubina Thapa. January 2015.

Title- 'Challenges to Normative Indian Womanhood: A Sociological Study of Kamala Das's work. October 2015.

Projects Undertaken

Major Research Project titled “**Development, Religion and Sustainable Environments: Collective Environmental Mobilization in the Western Ghats, Karnataka**” granted by ICSSR, New Delhi for Rs 8 lakhs for 24 months, June 2017- June 2019.

“Conception of Nature among forest dependent communities in India and Canada”, short term project granted by the **U.G.C Area Studies Centre, Centre for Canadian Studies, SNDT Women’s University**. September 2011- March 2012. **Completed.**

Research Work/ Publications

Books:

Reframing the Environment: Resources, Risk & Resistance in Neoliberal India, Routledge Taylor & Francis Pvt, Ltd. In Press.

Articles:

‘Interrogating the Sociology of Environment in Western India - A Gendered Understanding’, in *Genders, Feminisms and Sociologies: Towards a state of altered-ness*, Routledge Taylor & Francis Pvt, Ltd.2018.

‘Reframing the Environment in Neoliberal India: Introduction to the Theme’, Editor of **Special Issue of Sociological Bulletin** 67 (3) 2018.

‘Understanding Ecofeminism’,in *Environment Education* edited by Sudeshna Lahiri, Studera Press. September, 2018, Forthcoming.

‘Gender and Health: A Case Study of Raffiq Nagar Slum, Mumbai’, Baranwal, A. & M. Rao, in *The Urban World*, Quarterly Publication of the Regional Centre for Urban and Environmental Studies of All India Institute of Local Self Government, Mumbai, Vol-9, No.3, July- September 2016. Pp. 23-38. ISSN 2349-0241.

‘Environment, Ecology and Women: Ecofeminism’ Unit for Post Graduate coursework for E Pathshala. MHRD, National Mission on Education through ICT (NME-ICT) 2016.

‘The Contemporary Women's Movement’, Unit for Post Graduate coursework for E Pathshala. MHRD, National Mission on Education through ICT (NME-ICT). 2015.

‘In the Margins: Environment, Resources & Livelihoods in the *AppikoChaluvali*’ in *Journal of Social & Economic Development*, Bangalore. Sage Publication. Vol 14, No. 2,July- December 2012.

‘Ecofeminism at the Crossroads in India: A Review’, in journal of D.E.P. (Deportees, Exiles, Refugees), Special Issue on ‘Ecofeminism’, CaFoscari University, Italy. Issue 20, July 2012. ISSN: 1824-4483. http://www.unive.it/nqcontent.cfm?a_id=21426.

Environment, Resources & Livelihoods- Perspectives from the *AppikoChaluvali* (Movement)", **Occasional Paper**, Department of Sociology, Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi, 2010.

Unit 1. Development Discourses; Unit 2. WID-WAD-GAD; Unit 3. Issues in Resources and Entitlements: Forest Produce; written for the Indira Gandhi Open University MA programme in School of Gender & Development Studies, November 2009.

‘Ecofeminism and its Critique’ (Marathi), published in ‘VikasParyayanchyaDishene’, for ‘VicharvedSammelan’. Prepared by Prayas, Pune. 2004.

‘Appikoanibharatateelanyaparyavaraneeyachalvali: kodyaanisangharsh’, *Parisar- Varta*, Vol. 79-80, No. 16, July-October 2002.

‘Ecofeminism, Environmentalism and Women’s Movement in India- An analysis’, in *Man & Development*, Vol. XXII, no.1, March 2000. Pp.16-31. ISSN 0258-0438

Written one Unit on ‘Women and Environment’ for Post-Graduate Course in Sociology- paper VIII, Environment and Society for Institute of Distance Education, University of Mumbai, August 1999.

Unit 1. Land and Natural Resources; Unit 2. Labour, written for the Indira Gandhi Open University Diploma Programme in Women’s Empowerment and Development, February 1998,

Labour and Gender – Survival in Urban India, by Uma Kalpagam, Book Review in *Economic and Political Weekly*, May 4, 1996.

Theory and Practice of Ecofeminism in India: An Analysis, Monograph, Published by Womens’ Studies Centre, University of Pune, Pune. March 1996.

Alcohol and the State: Women Confront Liquor Barons and Expose the Political Nexus, Manisha Rao and V. Kulkarni, in *What is Personal Is Political*, by Coordination Unit – World Conference on Women, Beijing 1995.

Nothing to Cheer About, Manisha Rao and V. Kulkarni, in *Humanscape*, November 1995.

Deforestation, Displacement and Impoverishment of Tribals: Are Tribal Sub-Plans the Solution?, Walter Fernandes, Manisha Rao, et al in *India Employment, Poverty and Economic Policies – A Report*, U.N.D.P., I.L.O.-A.R.T.E.P. New Delhi, 1993.

Book Reviews

‘Gendering Natural Resource Management’, Subhadra Mitra Channa and Marilyn Porter ed. 2015. *Gender, Livelihood and Environment: How Women Manage Resources*, Orient Blackswan, in **The Book Review** Literary Trust. July 2016.

Subhadra Mitra Channa. 2013. *The Inner and Outer Selves: Cosmology, Gender, and Ecology at the Himalayan Borders*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press in **Contributions to Indian Sociology**. Sage Publications. Vol. 50, No.2..pp 263-267. June 2016.

‘Adoption- Global Perspective & Ethical Issues’, Book Review in *Journal of Social & Economic Development*, Vol. 11, No.1, January- June 2009.

‘Environmentalism: A Global History’, by Ramchandra Guha, Book Review, in *Economic and Political Weekly*, August 18, 2001.

Other Publications

Remembering D.N. Dhanagare (11 June 1936- 07 March 2017). **Contributions to Indian Sociology**. Sage Publications.51, 3, Pp.373-374. 2017.

Rao. Manisha. Ed. 2016. *Reframing the Environment: Resources, Risk and Resistance in Neoliberal India*, Conference Proceedings. University of Mumbai Press. Mumbai. ISBN No. 978-93-5258-232-7

Paper’s Presented/ Conferences attended

‘Informal Lives: Muslim Women Workers in the Informal Garment Sector of Bhiwandi, India’, by Farid Oneza Tanveer & Manisha Rao at Sixth National Conference on Intersectionality, Religious Minorities and Development of Women in India, March 26 & 27, 2019, TISS, Mumbai.

‘Reconstructing the Eco-Religious Discourse in India: Perspectives from Uttara Kannada District, Western Ghats’, paper presented at 44th All India Sociological Conference, 27-29th December 2018, Mysuru.

‘*The Nowhere People*’: Globalization, Environment & Forced Migration”, paper presented at ‘Migration and Its Multiple Frames: Conceptual Underpinnings and Emerging Critiques’, ICSSR Workshop organized at TISS, Mumbai, 7th December 2018

‘The Greening of Saffron- The *Swarnavalli Matha* of Uttara Kannada district’ Paper presented at the National Seminar on Religious Tolerance, Culture and Civil Society Institute of Indian Culture on 6-7 March 2018.

‘Forest Rights Act & Tribal Lives: A Discordant Discourse?’, Paper presented at the National Seminar on ‘Tribes in Transition: Issues and Challenges in the Era of Globalization’, Department of Sociology, University of Mumbai. 19 - 20 January 2017.

Attended & participated in the one day National Seminar- **COP21 Building Synergies, Shaping Actions**, on 2nd April, 2016, at Pherozeshah Mehta Bhavan, Kalina Campus, University of Mumbai.

‘Gender Perspectives on Sustainable Development’, paper presented at National Seminar on ‘**Sustainable Development Goals 2030 Agenda - A Dalit Perspective**’, 15th March, 2016, Organized by Department of Civics & Politics, University of Mumbai.

‘The Status of India’s Environment: Interventions of the State & Civil Society’, Paper presented at **National Seminar on ‘Society and Environmental Issues in India’**, 29th & 30th January 2016, Department of Sociology, UGC-SAP-DRS-Phase III, Shivaji University, Kolhapur.

‘*Towards an Eco- Feminist Environmental Ethics*’, paper presented at “Environmental Ethics I” Panel Discussion, in National Seminar on **Philosophy of Human Person and Environment, organised by** Indian Council of Philosophical Research, BPS, Departments of Philosophy at University of Mumbai and Ramniranjan Jhunjunwala College on 7th and 8th of December 2015.

‘For the Greater Global Good: Globalization, Environment & Forced Migration’, paper presented at National Seminar on ‘**Marginalisation and Migration in the Era of Globalisation**’, Department of Sociology, University of Mumbai, Friday 13th March 2015

‘Restructuring the Syllabus: Negotiating Institutional, Curricular and Pedagogical Practices’, Paper presented at National Conference on: **Sociologists and Sociology: Autobiographies and Biographies**, Centre for Advanced Studies, Department of Sociology, University of Pune, from September 15th and 16th 2014.

“Capturing Complexity- Interrogating the Appiko Movement of India”, presented in the panel-“The Role of Activism: Social, Political & Economic Change in Contemporary Asia”, at the Inaugural **Association for Asian Studies in Asia** 2014 conference held at the National University of Singapore, **Singapore** from 17-19 July 2014.

‘Interrogating the Sociology of Environment- A Gendered Understanding’, in National Seminar on **Genders, Feminisms and Sociologies: Towards a state of altered-ness** from 29-31 January 2014.

Participated in Book Writing Workshop at the KSP Women’s Studies Centre, University of Pune, 10th October 2013.

‘Indigenous Natures: Conceptions of Nature among forest dependent communities in India & Canada’, paper presented at International Interdisciplinary Conference-“**Under Western Skies 2- Environment, Culture and Community in North America**” at **Mount Royal University, Calgary, Alberta, Canada** from October 10 - 13, 2012.

Invited to present a **public lecture**- “Making Sense of the Theory and Practice of Ecofeminism in India” as part of the “**Gender Frontiers Speakers**” series at **Brandon University, Brandon, Manitoba, Canada** on 15th October 2012.

Invited to take a lecture on “Gender and Globalisation- Some Stories from India” at Department of Sociology, **Brandon University, Brandon, Manitoba, Canada** on October 16th 2012.

Invited to give a lecture “In the Margins: Environment, Resources & Livelihoods- Perspectives from the *AppikoChaluvali*” at the **Centre for South Asian Studies, Munk School of Global Affairs, University of Toronto, Canada** on 17th October 2012.

Invited to attend the National workshop on ‘**Histories, Literary and Visual Texts Of South Asia**’: A Workshop jointly organised by **Zubaan, New Delhi** and **Krantijyoti Savitribai Phule Women’s Studies Centre, University of Pune** on 7 and 8 November 2011.

"Environment, Resources & Livelihoods- Perspectives from the *AppikoChaluvali* (Movement)", paper presented at Friday Sociological Research Colloquium, **Department of Sociology, Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi**, on 19th November 2010.

Participated in **Editing Workshop of I.G.N.O.U.** Course Development for MA programme in School of Gender & Development Studies, I.G.N.O.U., New Delhi from 14-15th June 2010.

Paper presented at workshop on ‘**Building Teaching Capacities in Gender Studies**’, sponsored by the Higher Education Initiative of the Navajbai Ratan Tata Trust, at **Krantijyoti Savitribai Phule Women’s Studies Centre, University of Pune, Pune** on November 19th and 20th, 2009.

“Resistance & Revolt: *Yuvak Mandalis* in the *AppikoChaluvali*”, paper presented at xxxiv **All India Sociological Conference** at Jaipur, 27-29 December 2008.

Participated as **Resource person** on Research Methodology, at the SET/NET Workshop organized by the P.G. Dept. of Sociology, S.N.D.T. Women’s University on 16th & 17th Dec. 2008.

‘*In the Margins: Perspectives from the AppikoChaluvali*’, Paper presented at the International Conference on Social Development, Social Movements & the Marginalised: Perspectives & Concerns, organized by **Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi**, from February 16-19 2008.

'Theory and Practice of Ecofeminism in India', Paper presented at workshop on 'Sociology of Environment – Issues of Curriculum and Pedagogy', organized by P.G. Department of Sociology, S.N.D.T. University, Bombay, February 1999.

'Contesting Claims: State, People and Forests of Uttara Kannada', Paper presented at VIII th National Conference of Women's Studies, Pune, May 1998.

'Colonial and Post-Colonial Forest Policies in Uttara Kannada', Paper presented at International Workshop on Ecology, Survival and First Nations: Issues of Comparison between Canada and India, organized by Canadian Studies Programme and Dept. of Sociology, University of Pune, February 1998.

'Configurations in Ecofeminism – A Critique', Paper presented at Seminar on Environmental Issues in Western India, organized by Department of sociology, University of Pune, July 1995.

Membership to Associations

Life Member, All India Sociological Association.

Life Member, Indian Association for Women's Studies

Life Member, Marathi Samaj Shastra Parishad

Member of RC 11, Environment & Society, of the All India Sociological Association

Extra Curricular Activities (College/University)

As President of the Students Council, **Lady Shriram College**, New Delhi, I was responsible for organizing numerous intellectual and cultural activities for the college, notably a major fund raising initiative for a new auditorium: we raised Rs.25 lakhs, by organizing The Concert of the Season with Pt. Ravi Shankar and ZakirHussain at the Siri Fort Auditorium.

I was also an organizer/member of Project (the L.S.R. Film Society); The Wake Up Forum at which we invited speakers from Mr. V.P. Singh to Mr. Mani Shankar Aiyer; The Political Science Association, where we organized an Africa week.

I was an active member of C.E.C. (Climbers and Explorers Club); The Youth Hostels Association of India; The Know Your Environment Programme of The Natural History Museum; Womens Development Cell, L.S.R.; SPIC-MACAY; I participated in an Anti-Drugs Cycling Expedition and helped found Students Action Forum for Environment.

At the **University of Pune**, I was actively involved with starting a Wall Magazine and The Film club. I was one of the founder members of Samvaad (A Centre for Mutual Counseling) started on the Pune University Campus. We had organized a number of Street Plays, staged on campus and outside.

At the **Delhi School of Economics**, I was actively involved with the activities of the Gender Study Group.

Hobbies/Interests

Reading, Music, Photography, Hiking, Swimming, Athletics, People, etc.

Languages

I am fluent in English, Hindi and Kannada, with a working knowledge of Marathi and Bengali

