

JAWAHARLAL NEHRU UNIVERSITY

Faculty Profile Form

1. **Name:** Akhlaque Ahmad Ansari (*nom de plume-‘ahan’*)

2. **Designation:** *Professor*

3. **Name of School/Centre:** Centre of Persian and Central Asian studies
School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies

4. **Qualifications:**

1. **Ph.D.** on the topic of “*Sohrab Sepahri’s contribution to the Modern Persian poetry*”, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi (India), 2002
2. **Pre-Ph.D.** (wrote a research paper on the topic of “*Allegory in Modern Persian poetry*”, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi (India), 1997
3. **M.A.** in Persian, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, 1996
4. **M.A.** in History, IGNOU, New Delhi, 2010
5. **B.A. (Hons.)** in Geography, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh, 1994
6. Persian Language and Literature Enhancement Course (*Advanced Level*), Tarbiat Modarres University, Tehran, 2001
7. Junior Research Fellowship or **JRF (Persian)**, UGC, New Delhi, June 1997.
8. National Eligibility Test or **NET (Urdu)**, UGC, New Delhi, Dec.1996.
9. **Diploma in Arabic**, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh, 1993
10. **Advance Diploma in Urdu Mass Media**, JNU, New Delhi, 2001
11. **Advance Persian Refresher Course**, IK International University, Qazvin, 2015.

5. **Areas of Interest/Specialization:**

Indo-Persian Studies, Silk Route Region, Modern Persian Literature, Persian sources of history and culture, Sufism, Amir Khusraw, Bedil, Dara Shukoh & Rumi.

6. **Experience: (20 years)**

a. **Teaching:**

1. **Professor**, Centre of Persian & Central Asian Studies, School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi-110067 since 2016.
2. **Associate Professor**, Centre of Persian & Central Asian Studies, School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi-110067 since 2013.
3. **Senior Assistant Professor**, Centre of Persian & Central Asian Studies, School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi-110067; 2005-2013.
4. **Assistant Professor**, Centre of Persian & Central Asian Studies, School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi-110067 since 2001-2005.

5. *Part-Time Lecturer*, Centre of Persian & Central Asian Studies, School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, 2001.
6. *Part-Time Lecturer*, Department of Persian, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi-110025, during 1997-2001.

b. Research:

Number of Research Scholars guided:

1. **Ph.D** - continuing- 08, submitted-, **awarded-22**, Total **-30**
2. **M. Phil.** - continuing- 3, submitted-, **awarded-29**, Total **32**.

Research Projects:

1. **Major research project of UGC on:**“ *Mapping Knowledge tradition (Indo-Persian & Central Asian tradition)*” 2014-2018
2. **Religion and identity: Reading Spain in Iqbal**, Major & Multi-disciplinary research project under UPE II Scheme, JNU, New Delhi-18 as Associate Investigator.
3. **MSS of Amir Khusraw in India**, A. K. Trust For Culture & Ford Foundation, 2010-13
4. **Major research project of UGC on:** “*Collection and compilation of Azhar Ali Azad Kakorwi’s Persian and Urdu works*” 2008-2011
5. **Kolliate Rubayat e Amir Khusraw**, Jnana Pravah, Delhi, 2014-16
6. Major research project of NCPUL on: “*Khayyam Studies in India*” 2010-2011
7. **Hindi-Persian Dictionary**, NHD, MHRD, 2011-13

c. Publications:

i. Books:

Authored:

1. **Amir Khusraw’s India**, Ravi Kumar Publications, Paris, FRANCE, 2014; 978-88-73305-78, 2014
2. **Soroor** (collection of poetry), Aalami publication pvt. Ltd., Delhi, 2014; Educational Publishing House, Delhi, 2015.
3. **Masa’le-Tamseel Der Adabiat-e-Farsi** (Allegory in Persian literature), Allysons Publication, New Delhi, 2000.
4. **Sher e Nau wa Sohrab Sepehri** (The new Persian poetry and the contribution of Sohrab Sepehri),

5. *Hindustan Mein Farsi Sahafat Ki Tarikh (History of Persian Journalism in India)*, Educational Publishing House, ISBN 81-8223-365-8, New Delhi, 2008.
6. *Sochney pe pahra hai*, Nai Kitab Publication, ISBN 978-93-82821-58-8 New Delhi, 2014
7. *Annotated Catalogue of Amir Khusraw's MSS*, A. K. Foundation, Delhi,

Edited:

8. *Maqalat-e-Maualna Arshi* (edited with introduction), Educational Publishing House, ISBN 81-8223-318-6, New Delhi, 2007.
9. *Asefi Rampuri: Shakhshiat aur shairi*, (edited with introduction), Imteyaz Ali Khan Arshi, Educational Publishing House, ISBN 81-8223-319-4, New Delhi, 2007.
10. *Diwan-e Shani, (Revised)*, edited by Dr Khwaja Ekram, Jam-e Noor Publications, New Delhi, 2007
11. *Nisab-e-Farsi-e Jadeed*, (edited the Persian text for the students of the Centre of Indian Languages, JNU, New Delhi), Foundation of Culture and Literature, New Delhi, 2007
12. *Dhoop-ChhaoN, (Collection of Ghazals of Manmohan Alam)*, edited with introduction, Educational Publishing House, ISBN 978-81-8223-550-2, New Delhi, 2009.
13. *Mirza Bedil, by Prof Nabi Hadi*, edited with introduction, Educational Publishing House, ISBN 81-8223-365-8, New Delhi, 2009.
14. *Gulistan-e-Farsi*, Vol. 1 by Farook Baucha, (*Revised*), the Persian text book for the colleges/schools of Mauritius, Educational Publishing House, Delhi, 2011.
15. *Ale Ahmad Soroor: Fekr o fan* (ed.), Brown Book Publication, ISBN New Delhi, 2012.
16. *Tuti e Hind Amir Khusraw* (Co-ed.), Brown book Publication, ISBN New Delhi, 2014
17. *Kolliat e Azad Kakorwi*, Brown book Publication, ISBN New Delhi
18. *Khayyam Shanasi* (Selection of the papers published on Khayyam in Urdu journals of the sub-continent during last one century, with Introduction and necessary inputs.) (in press)
19. *Bedil Shanasi* (Selection of the papers published on great Indian Persian poet in Urdu journals of the sub-continent during last one century, which deals with different aspect of the legendary poet, with Introduction and necessary inputs.) (in press)

Translated:

20. *Adhuri Tasweer* (a collection of Dari and Pashto stories translated into Hindi along with Prof. A.K. Rashid and Dr. A. Halim), Embassy of the Republic of Afghanistan, New Delhi, 2000.
21. *Mera Jiwan Mera Sanghars* (Hindi translation with Introduction of Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan's autobiography), ISBN 978-93-82821-17-5, Nai Kitab, New Delhi-2013
22. *Sultan Mahmood Ghaznavi* (translation of Prof. Mohammad Habib's book "Mahmood of Ghaznin" into Persian) with Prof. A.K.Rashid (in press)

Working/to be published:

23. *Dara Shukoh and Indian Knowledge tradition*
24. *Indo-Persian Literature*
25. *Amir Khusraw : the Genius and Legacy*
26. *Kolliat-e-Rubayat-e-Amir Khusrau* (Collection of his the Rubayat of the great poet Amir Khusrau has never been edited and published. This is first attempt in this regard.)
27. *Maktubat e Mohibbullah Shah*(a rare manuscript of this 17th centurey sufi and teacher of Dara Shukoh), edition & introduction, (working)
28. *Diwan-e-Zohur Emadi, Shah Zohurruddin Emadi*(a rare manuscript of this 18th centurey sufi poet's *Diwan*), edition & introduction, (working)

Research Papers/ /Chapters for books: 18

1. Entries for *the Encyclopedia of Persian Language and Literature in the Sub-Continent*, Iranian Academy of Persian Language and Literature, Tehran, Iran.
2. "Sayyed Sebte Mohammad: Tahqeeq, Tanqeed wa Tarteeb", in the book titled "Sayyed Sebte Mohammad: Fan aur Shakhsiat" edited by Mosanna Hasan Rizvi, Lucknow, 2005
3. *1857 aur Farsi akhbarat*, in the book titled "1857: Jang-e Azadi ka DarakhshaN bab", edited by Dr. Abrar Rahmani, Publication Division, New Delhi, 2007
4. *Adhura Insan*, in the book titled "Wiswa Sahitya: Chuninda Rachnayen", edited by Devendra Chaube, Prakashan Sansthan, New Delhi, 2007
5. *Begam Hazrat Mahal*, in the book titled "1857: Bharat ka Pahla mukti sanghars", edited by Devendra Chaube, Badri Narain, Hitendra Patel, Prakashan Sansthan, New Delhi, 2007
6. "Mohammad Hasan: Farsi tahqeeqat ki raushni men", in the book titled "Mohammad Hasan: Fan aur Shakhsiat" edited by Dr. S. Hoda, Ghalib Institute, Delhi, 2011
7. *Haryana aur farsi akhbarat*, in the book titled "1857 aur Haryana", edited by Ataurrahman Qasmi, Shah Waliullah Institute, New Delhi, 2011

8. “*Sharib Rudolwi aur Hindustan ki saqafati halat ki tafheem*”, in the book titled “*Sharib Rodolwi: fan aur shakhsiat*” edited by Mosanna Hasan Rizvi, Lucknow, 2012
9. *Religion and International Relation: reviewing the Judeo-Christian secularist notion(English)*, Proceeding of Seminar on Religion and International Relations, Centre of International Studies, Tehran University, Tehran, 2012
10. *Tasawwuf: adab aur nazaria*, in the book titled “*Sheikh Ali Hujweri: shakhsiat aur khidmat*”, edited by Dr. Abdul Halim Akhgar, New Delhi, 2012
11. *Rumi and Silk Road*, in the book titled “*Silk Road*”, edited by Dr. Mehmet Bulut, Istanbul, TURKEY, 2014
12. *Central Characteristics of Persian Verse and Poetry of Amir Khusrau and Mirza Bedil*, in the book titled “*Jashn e Amir Khusrau*”, Aga Khan Trust, New Delhi, 2014
13. *Ghalib and Aibak: Prof Nazir Ahmad ke hawale se*, in the book titled “*Farsi adab: azadi ke bad*”, edited by Dr. Reza Haider, Delhi, 2016
14. *Ghazal saray e Bedil*, in the book titled “*Der Maktab e Haqayeq*”, edited by Dr. Kazim Kahdui, Yazd, IRAN, 2016
15. *Sah'm e Iqbal der shenakht e Bedil der Iran*, in the book titled “*Bedil der Ayina e Ors*”, edited by F. Babashahi, Tehran, IRAN, 2016

Papers/Articles:

65

Selected

1. *Sohrab Sepahri: A Pioneering Modern Persian Poet*, Islam and Modern Age, New Delhi, Vol. XXX, No. 3, August 1999)
2. *Ahd-e-Wasta Ka Gujarat: Kalasiki Ilm-o-Fan Ka Markaz* (Islam aur Asr-e-Jadid, Vol. 31, No. 2, New Delhi, April 1999).
3. *Jidd-o-Jehd-e-Azadi Mein Miratul Akhbar Ka Role* (Ahad Nama, Ranchi, No. 8, October-December-1999).
4. *Rumi: Ek Sokhta Dil Sha'er* (Awam, New Delhi, March-1997).
5. *Gham* (A Literary Essay which Hints about Man-Environment Relation and about Contemporary Urdu Literature), Parwaz-e Adab, Punjab Urdu Academy, Patiala, 2000.
6. *Tahzeebul-Akhlaque: fikr-e-Sir Syed Ka Izhar* (Ahang-e-Sir Syed, Annual Literary Journal, A. M. U., Aligarh-1993).
7. *Sard Registan* (A Literary Essay Which Hints about the Philosophy of Egoism and Possiblism), (Qaumi Tanjeem, Patna, March-1993).
8. *Sorab* (An Urdu Story) Mahfil-e-Sanam, Delhi, January-2000
9. *Kamla Surayya*, “Mizan”, Persian Monthly, New Delhi, February-2000
10. *Iqbal wa Afghanistan*, Mizan, Persian Monthly, New Delhi, Sept. 2000
11. *Jami der shabe qare*, Encyclopaedia of Persian Language and Literature in the sub-continent, Vol-2, Tehran, 2007.
12. *Hindustan men Farsi Sahafat ki Ibtada*, Fekr-o-Tahqeeq quarterly, New Delhi, vol.5, No.3, July-Sept. 2002
13. *Sahm-e-Iqbal der Shenakhte Bedil der Iran*, Iranshenasi, Vol. II, (literary section), Iranology Foundation, Tehran, IRAN, 2005; also appeared on the site of Literary Foundation, Tehran i.e. www.kanoonweb.ir in its December 2006 addition; Danish *Persian Quarterly*, Islamabad, No. 116, winter 2014, ISSN 1018-1873
14. *1857 aur Farsi akhbarat*, Ajkal monthly, New Delhi, 2007, May 2007.

15. *Jange-Azadi aur Farsi Akhbarat*, Aiwan-e Urdu monthly, New Delhi, May 2007.
16. *Khomeni ki GhazloN meN Este'aroN ki Manawiat*, Aalami Sahara Urdu weekly, (special issue), New Delhi, 4th June 2007.
17. *Anisul-arwah aur malfuzat-e asfia ki Manawiat*, Aalami Sahara Urdu weekly, (special issue), New Delhi, 28th July 2007.
18. *Ghazal-serai-e Bedil(Persian)*, *Danish Persian Quarterly*, S. No. 91, Islamabad, winter 2008; ISSN: 1018-1873.
19. *Iran meiN Bedil-shenasi*, *Bazm-e-Sahara*, monthly, New Delhi, February 2009.
20. *Farsi ke mahan kavi: Bedil*, *Naya Path Quarterly*, New Delhi,2009
21. *sahitya ki sajhi virasat aur Prof. Sadiq*, Kalpant monthly, New Delhi, June 2009
22. Review article on “*Information and the Public Sphere*” by Pernau & Jaffery, published by OUP, for *Mediaeval History Journal*, JNU, March-May 2010, Sage Publication.
23. *Muslim netritwa*, *Sablog* monthly, New Delhi, October 2010
24. *Khusraw aur Kabir.....*, Ma'arif monthly, Azamgarh, August, 2012
25. *Shomal-Maghribi khitta ke Pathan, Jang e Azadi.....*, Aamad quarterly, Patna, Jan-March 2014, 2014, ISSN 22790403
26. *Shah Torab Ali Qalandar ki Farsi shayeri*, Tasfia, bi-annual journal, Lucknow, No. 1, Jan-June 2014
27. *Nabi Hadi ki Bedil Shanasi*, Mizgan Quarterly, Kolkata, No. 14, Jan-March 2014
28. *Farsi ki Marsiya-go shayerat*, Aalami Sahara Urdu weekly, New Delhi, 24th October, 2015.
29. *Taliban Attack – the Limits of Savagery*, <http://kafila.org/2014/12/18/taliban-attack-the-limits-of-savagery-akhlaq-ahan/>
30. *Tawawwurat e Tasawwuf der Sher e Bedil*, *Danish Persian Quarterly*, Islamabad, No. 118, winter 2015, ISSN 1018-1873
31. *Religion and IR*, Journal of Islamic Political Studies, IK International University, Qazvin, Iran, 2016
32. *Muslim netritwa.....*, *Sablog* monthly, New Delhi, October 2010
33. *Nawab Akbar Khan Bugti ka qat'l; mozahemat ka dardnak anjam*, Aalami Sahara Urdu weekly, vol. 4, No. 18, New Delhi, 9th September 2006.
34. *Albela Shayer Majaz*, *Bazm-e-Sahara* monthly, Delhi, Feb., 2011
35. *Bahmi rabt ki zaban urdu*, Deedawar, quarterly, Boston, USA, October, 2011
36. *Maghribi Asia: khadsat o imkanat*, Sahara daily, Delhi, 28/10/2011
37. *Samrajyavad aur Paschim Asia*, *Sablog* monthly, Delhi, January, 2012
38. Interview, ‘*Religious Identity has never been a barrier for acquiring knowledge in India*’ <http://twocircles.net/2015nov28/1448690190.html#.V2t7Of196Un>

Introduction/Foreword for books: 09

1. *Introduction*, in the book titled “*Bal e Jibrayil*” (Persian translation of Dr. Iqbal’s collection of poems by Afghan poet Rahbeen Khursheed), ECO, Tehran, 2015
2. *Introduction*, in the book titled “*Kulliat e Iqbal*” (Persian translation of Dr. Iqbal’s collection of poems by Afghan poet Rahbeen Khursheed), ECO, Tehran, 2017
3. *Introduction*, in the book titled “*Ainul-Maarif*” (Diwan of Aasi Ghazipuri), Jaunpur, 2015
4. *Introduction* for the book titled “*Maikhana-e Ajam*” by Dr. Abdur Rashid Azmi, Educational Publishing House, New Delhi, 2007.
5. *Introduction...* in the book titled “*Manqabt-e....*”, edited by Zafar Ansari, Educational Publishing House, New Delhi, 2008
6. *Introduction*, in the book titled “*Bismil Azimabadi: Shakhshiat aur shairi*”, edited by Zafar Iqbal, Educational Publishing House, New Delhi, 2008
7. *Introduction*, in the book titled “*Nazish-e Nisbat*”, by Abdul Ali Azizi, Azam Garh, 2010
8. *Introduction*, in the book titled “*Sardar-shenasi*”, by Muhammad Umar Raza, Delhi, 2011
9. *Introduction*, in the book titled “*Armaghan e Qazi Najm Haripuri*”, by Rizwanulhaq Nadwi, Lucknow, 2011

Creative writing:

Poetry writing in Persian and Urdu (published two poems collection besides national and international literary magazines).

ii. Seminar/conference:

In India: 108

In abroad: 14 (Iran, USA, Pakistan, Afghanistan, Turkey)

iii. Administration:

1. Member, University Court, JNU, New Delhi, 2009-2010
2. Member, Academic Council, JNU, New Delhi, 2009-2010
3. Member, Board of Studies, SLL&CS, JNU, New Delhi, 2008-2009, 2012-14, 2015-17
4. Acting Chairperson, CP&CAS, SLL&CS, JNU, New Delhi during 2009, 2016, 2017
5. Faculty Representative, GSCASH, JNU, New Delhi, 2009-2011
6. Coordinator and paper setter of Part-time entrance test 2008-14

iv. Other:

Membership of learned bodies/societies:

1. Dictionary Compiling Board, CHD, New Delhi, (for Persian and Urdu.)
2. Alumni Association of JNU (AAJ), Life Member, Vice President, 2017-19
3. Writers' Forum, Alumni Association of JNU (AAJ), Coordinator, 2017-20
4. All India Persian Teachers' Association, New Delhi, Executive member.
5. Indo-Iran Society, (est. 1969 by Dr. Zakir Husain, ex.President of India), Executive Member
6. Samved Foundation, founding member & trustee
7. Prof. Syed Amir Hasan Abidi Memorial Trust, Founding Member
8. Persian Scholars' Association, founding member and first secretary
9. Foundation of Culture and Literature (FOCAL), founding member and President
10. India Islamic Cultural Centre, Delhi, Life member
11. Editorial Board, "*Saar Sansaar*", Quarterly, CIEFL, Hyderabad, since 2003
12. Editorial Board, "*Sablog*", Monthly, New Delhi, since 2010
13. Editorial Board, University Magazine, AMU, Aligarh, 1992-3
14. Oriental Society, 1998-1999

7. Awards & Honours:

1. Delhi Urdu Academy, Delhi gave away *Urdu Academy Award* for the book *Maqalat e Arshi*, 2011
2. Bihar Urdu Academy, Patna gave away *Qazi Abdul Wadood Award* for the book *Maqalat e Arshi*, 2010
3. *Allama Iqbal award* for best paper, by ECO, Tehran, Iran, 2015
4. A 25 minutes **documentary film** is made on my literary work and poetry by Sahar TV, Iran, 2010. (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t9EB_By-PLg)
5. a program made based on his book *Amir Khusraw's India* (*Tarkash* with Akhlaq Ahan on Rajya Sabha tv; https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bVUQQ1Gwj_8)
6. Associateship of Indian Institute of Advanced Studies, Shimla for the year since 2005
7. 12 Episode titled as *Sufiana kalam o mosiqi*, talked on aspects of sufis and Sufism, 2012 for DD Urdu (to be aired)
8. Formulated syllabus of M.A. (Comparative Literature) course titled "Indian Persian Literature" in August 2004 for Mahatma Gandhi International Hindi University, Wardha, Maharashtra.
9. Listed among the leading Ghazal writers of Urdu after 1980 by "*Iste'ara* Quarterly, New Delhi in 2001.

8. International Collaboration/Consultancy:

1. Editing Persian/Urdu Research works of Mobarizuddin Rifat with the support of Dr. Omar Khalidi of MIT, Boston, USA
2. Revised the Persian text book of the Colleges/schools of Mauritius in 2011.

9. Best Peer Reviewed Publications:

1. *Rumi and Silk Road*, in the book titled "*Silk Road*", ed. by Dr. Mehmet Bulut, Istanbul, TURKEY, 2014
2. *Central Characteristics of Persian Verse and Poetry of Amir Khusrau and Mirza Bedil*, in the book titled "*Jashn e Amir Khusrau*", Aga Khan Trust, New Delhi, 2014
3. *Sahm-e-Iqbal Sepahri der Shenakhte Bedil der Iran(Persian)*, *Danish Persian Quarterly*, S. No. 110, Islamabad, summer 2014; ISSN: 1018-1873.
4. *Ghazal saray e Bedil*, in the book titled "*Der Maktab e Haqayeq*", ed. by Dr. Kazim Kahdui, Yazd, IRAN, 2016
5. *Tawawwurat e Tasawwuf der Sher e Bedil*, *Danish Persian Quarterly*, Islamabad, No. 118, winter 2015, ISSN 1018-1873
6. *Ghalib and Aibak: Prof Nazir Ahmad ke hawale se*, in the book titled "*Farsi adab: azadi ke bad*", edited by Dr. Reza Haider, Delhi, 2016

10. Best Peer Reviewed Journals/Books (Upto 3):

1. *Hindustan MieN Farsi Sahafat Ki Tarikh (Criticism &research)*, Educational Publishing House, ISBN 81-8223-365-8, New Delhi, 2008.
2. *Maqalat-e-Maualna Arshi* (ed.), Educational Publishing House, ISBN 81-8223-318-6, New Delhi, 2007.
3. *Amir Khusraw's India*, Ravi Kumar Publications, ISBN 978887330578, Paris, FRANCE, 2014

4. Patents (if any):

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