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BIO NOTE

My early schooling was in various villages and advanced one in the city of Panipat in Haryana, India. Later, completed a Bachelor's in Economics and Political Science from Kurukshetra University Kurukshetra and finally received a Master's and Doctorate in Political Science from Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. As an academic, I worked in diverse central higher educational institutions, i.e., the University of Delhi; Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi; Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow; and Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi that enriched my both professional and personal experience. These represent multi-faceted orientations, including metropolitan and cosmopolitan; moderate with minority dominance, socially concerned with regional roots; ideologically driven with diverse representation. Thus, I have teaching and research experience of more than twenty-five years.

My teaching and research interests include Governance, Representation and Public Policy, with special reference to marginalized groups. My doctoral research focused on the functioning of the Parliament as an institution and its role in policy formulation for the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes during 1985-95. The period witnessed a significant transition to economic liberalization on the one hand and social and political assertion among the marginalized sections of Indian society on the other. This work has been a significant contribution in the context of the paradox depicted in the declining impact of Parliament in policy formulation and the evolving upsurge among the marginalized sections of Indian society both inside and outside the legislatures. For my MPhil, I studied the newly bestowed constitutional status of the Panchayati Raj Institutions in 1992 and their work in Haryana, representing economically developed and socially retrograded complexes. Continuing the study on Panchayats, a comparative analysis of four states argued that Panchayats carve out marginal space of influence for the marginalized sections viz. Dalits and Women with vast variations among the states. From institutions, process and policy, I looked at how their formation takes place through ideas and worked on Dr Ambedkar's ideas on affirmative action, representation, democracy, etc., to understand more profound meanings of the origin, functioning and advancing of those concepts.

One of my works examined the interface of religion and politics and its augmenting role in contemporary Indian politics. It argues religion remained under-addressed and overlooked in the postcolonial Indian political science discourse, which is probably why it has become a challenge in 21st-century India. Another work explored Dr Ambedkar's understanding of Democracy and its prospects and challenges in India. It shows how his formulations remain relevant in contemporary times, where procedural Democracy overshadows the idea of substantive Democracy the world over. The recently published work is on India's most contested domain, 'reservation policy', its philosophy and achievements in the face of upcoming challenges to social justice policies.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Professor, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi,	2015-
Associate Professor, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi,	2014-2015
Associate Professor, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi,	2013-2014
Professor, Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow,	2011-2013
Assistant Professor, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi,	2007-2011
Lecturer, Motilal Nehru College, University of Delhi, New Delhi,	1999-2007

EDUCATION

Ph. D.	Centre for Political Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, 2001
M. Phil.	Centre for Political Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, 1996
M.A.	Centre for Political Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, 1994
B.A.	Arya College, Panipat, Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra, 1991

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

- 2024 Narender Kumar and Sudhir Kumar Suthar. Reservation Policy in India: State, Social Justice and Affirmative Action in India. New Delhi: Orient BlackSwan. <https://orientblackswan.com/details?id=9789354426452>
- 2020 Narender Kumar (ed.). Politics and Religion in India. London and New Delhi, Routledge. <https://www.routledge.com/Politics-and-Religion-in-India/Kumar/p/book/9780367337872>
- 2018 Christophe Jaffrelot and Narender Kumar (ed.) Dr Ambedkar and Democracy. New Delhi: Oxford University Press. <https://global.oup.com/academic/product/dr-ambedkar-and-democracy-9780199483167?cc=fr&lang=en>
- 2008 Sukhadeo Thorat and Narender Kumar (ed.). B.R. Ambedkar: Perspective on Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policies. New Delhi: Oxford University Press (Paperback edition 2009). <https://global.oup.com/academic/product/br-ambedkar-9780198063506?cc=fr&lang=en&>
- 2008 Sukhadeo Thorat and Narender Kumar (ed.). In Search of Inclusive Policy: Addressing Graded Inequality. Jaipur: Rawat Publications. <https://www.rawatbooks.com/sc-st/in-search-of-inclusive-policy-addressing-graded-inequality>

- 2006 Narender Kumar and Manoj Rai. Dalit Leadership in Panchayats: A Comparative Study of Four States. Jaipur: Rawat Publications. <https://www.rawatbooks.com/sc-st/dalit-leadership-in-panchayats-a-comparative-study-of-four-states>
- 2004 Narender Kumar. Dalit Policies, Politics and Parliament. New Delhi: Shipra Publishers. <https://www.shiprapublication.com/catalogue-info/706/dalit-policies-politics-and-parliament/shipra/>
- 2001 Narender Kumar. Scheduled Castes and Panchayat Elections in Haryana. New Delhi: Indian Social Institute.

RESEARCH PAPERS IN JOURNALS

- 2024 Arvind Arhant and Narender Kumar, "Developing Rural Entrepreneurs through Start-up Village: Entrepreneurship Program: Understanding Impact and Challenges for Marginalized Sections", Journal of Social Inclusion Studies, June. <https://doi.org/10.1177/23944811241255019>
- 2019 Jungung Choi and Narender Kumar. "Reservation Policy for Backward Classes: Extent and Determinants of Support." Economic and Political Weekly, Vol 54(51). <https://www.epw.in/journal/2019/51/special-articles/reservation-policy-backward-classes.htm>
- 2016 Narender Kumar. "Continuance of Manual Scavenging: Intergroup Inequality or Policy Paralysis?" Journal of Social Inclusion Studies, 2(2): 28-41 January-June. <https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/abs/10.1177/2394481120160202>
- 2013 Narender Kumar (as team leader). "Ambedkar Villages An Alternative to Village Development: Case Studies from Lucknow." Contemporary Voice of Dalit 6(1): 9-24. <https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/pdf/10.1177/0974354520130102>
- 2011 Narender Kumar. "Politicization of Caste and Impulsions of Politics: Bahujan Samaj Party in Contemporary India." Contemporary Voice of Dalits, December. <https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/abs/10.1177/0974354520110202>
- 2010 Narender Kumar. "Representation, Hegemony and Governance: Alternative Contestations." Journal of History and Society of South Asia, 4(1): 75-84. <https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/abs/10.1177/223080751000400104>
- 2008 Narender Kumar. "Formulation of Inclusive Policies in Parliament." Economic and Political Weekly, 43(29), 19 July. <https://www.epw.in/journal/2008/29/notes/formulation-inclusive-policies-parliament.html>
- 2007 Narender Kumar. "Power to the People: Ambedkar's Perspectives." Mainstream

- January 4.
- 2001 Narender Kumar. "Federalism: Ambedkar's Perspectives on Decentralization of Power." *Social Action*, July-September.
- Narender Kumar. "Grass-root Leadership among Scheduled Castes in Haryana after 73rd Amendment Act." *The Radical Humanist*, February.
- 2000 Narender Kumar. "Dalit and Shudra Politics and Anti-Brahmin Movement." *Economic and Political Weekly*, 35(45), 4 November. <https://www.epw.in/journal/2000/45/discussion/dalit-and-shudra-politics-and-anti-brahmin-movement.html>
- 1999 Narender Kumar. "Haryana: Scheduled Castes in Transition." *Economic and Political Weekly*, 34(36),4 September. <https://www.epw.in/journal/1999/36/commentary/haryana-scheduled-castes-transition.html>

CHAPTERS IN BOOKS

- 2022 Narender Kumar "Scheduled Caste MPs and their Role in Influencing Policy Making" in *Politics of Representation: Historically Disadvantaged Groups in India's Democracy* (ed.) Sudha Pai, (Oxford University Press, New Delhi).
- Narender Kumar "Introduction" in *Reappraising Modern Indian Thought: Themes and Thinkers* (ed.) Ankit Tomar and Suratha Kumar Malik (Palgrave-Macmillan, New Delhi).
- 2021 Narender Kumar. "Understanding equity and equality: some conceptual and pragmatic considerations", in Kedilezo Kikhi and D. R. Gautam (ed) *Comprehending Equity: Context of Northeast India*, Routledge.
- Narender Kumar. "BR Ambedkar" in Suratha Kumar Malik and Ankit Tomar (ed) *Revisiting Modern Indian Thought: Themes and Perspectives*, Routledge.
- 2020 Narender Kumar. "Philosophy of Reservation and Public Opinion in Contemporary India", in Naidu, Ashok and Rajesh Kota (ed) *Reservation, Representation and Social Justice*, Kalpaz Publications, Delhi.
- 2018 Narender Kumar and Arvind Kumar. "Participation and Representation", in *State, Democracy and Nation Building: Life and Thought of B. R. Ambedkar* (Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi).
- Narender Kumar and Arvind Kumar. "Rights and Representation", in *State, Democracy and Nation Building: Life and Thought of B. R. Ambedkar* (Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi).

- 2016 Narender Kumar. "Mindset, Memoirs and Untouchability: Veracity beyond Conventional Structures" in Unequal Worlds (ed.) Vidhu Verma (Oxford University Press, New Delhi).
- 2007 Narender Kumar. "Contesting Views on Panchayati Raj: Ambedkar and 73rd Amendment Act" in Ambedkar in Retrospect (ed.) Sukhadeo Thorat and Aryama (Rawat Publications, Jaipur).
- 1999 Narender Kumar. "Dalit Identity and Students Politics in JNU" in Dalit Assertion for Identity (ed.) Ambrose Pinto, (Indian Social Institute, New Delhi).

BOOK REVIEWS

- 2024 Bringing Lohia's Socialism to Centre-stage, Ram Manohar Lohia (Ashok Kumar Pankaj), Pravasi Indians, August.
- 2020 "Every Vote Counts: The Story of India's Elections." (Naveen Chawla). Samajik Vimarsh (Hindi).
- 2014 "Engaging with Social Exclusion in India." (Paramjit S. Judge, Mapping Social Exclusion in India: Caste, Religion and Borderlands, 2014) The Book Review, September.
- 2013 "Destigmatising Chamars." (Ramnarayan S Rawat, Reconsidering Untouchability: Chamars and Dalit History in North India, 2012) The Book Review, New Delhi, February, Special Issue on South Asia.
- 2012 "Trajectory of Dalit Public Narratives." (Badri Narayan, The making of the Dalit Public in North India: Uttar Pradesh 1950-Present, 2011) The Book Review, New Delhi, April.
- 2011 "Exploring Unconventional Perspectives." (Gail Omvedt, Understanding Caste: From Buddha to Ambedkar, 2011) The Book Review, New Delhi, December.
- "The Enchantment of Democracy and India." (Sudipta Kaviraj). Journal of South Asian History and Culture, January.

ARTICLES IN NEWSPAPERS AND MAGAZINES

- 2024 "States and Minorities: Ambedkar's Mini Constitution," Samay Sangyan, April
- 2014 "The Wave nobody assessed correctly." The Pioneer, 24 May.
- "Caste Still in the Poll Race." The Pioneer, 5 April.

- 2013 "Government must listen to Citizens." The Pioneer, 14 December.
"CBI Political Rivals and Obscure Autonomy." The Pioneer, 19 October.
"Discrimination: Past in Continuum." The Pioneer, 17 August.
- 1999 "A Small Kadam in Man's World." The Pioneer, 22 August.
"The Dalit Development Paradigm and Parliament." The Pioneer, August.
- 1998 "Elevating Defaults via Rajya Sabha." Third Concept, August.
- 1995 "SAARC Surges Forward." Third Concept, August.

PRESENTATIONS

INVITED LECTURES/TALKS

- 2025 "Tolerance and Coexistence: Relevance of Gandhi in Contemporary Times", Gandhi Study Circle, Khalsa College, 19 February.
"Content Analysis, Refresher Course in Social Sciences", UGC-MMTTC, Sardar Patel University, Anand 6 February.
"Social Science Research: Significance and Challenges of Inclusion and Diversity", UGC MMTTC, Panjab University, Chandigarh, 23 January.
- 2024 "Relevance of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar in Contemporary Times", Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Centre, Panjab University, Chandigarh 11 December.
"Reflections on Indian Constitution in Historical and Contemporary Context", Refresher Course in Social Sciences, UGC-MMTTC, Panjabi University, Patiala, 28 November.
"Social Change in Viksit Bharat: An Exploration", Janki Devki Memorial College, 23 October.
(Inaugural Lecture), "The Changing Contours of Governance and Politics in India", Centre for Global Research and Advancement in Social Studies, Miranda House, University of Delhi, 5 September.
(Inaugural Lecture), "Higher Education in 21st Century: Evolution, Challenges and Prospects", NEP Orientation & Sensitization Programme, Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Programme (MMTTP), Central University of Punjab, Bhatinda

- on 19 August.
- “Doing Research: Content and Discourse Analysis”, Faculty Induction Program, Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Centre (MMTTC), National Institute of Educational Planning and Administration, New Delhi, 13 August.
- (Chair), “Imagining Gandhian Philosophy of Social Change in Vikshit Bharat: Challenges and Prospects”, National Seminar 16 March, MGCUB, Motihari.
- “Social Movements and Revolution in India”, UGC-MMMTC/JNU, 13 February.
- “Atrocities against SC/ST: Challenges and Safeguards”, at National Forensic Science University, New Delhi 13 February.
- 2023 “Indian Democratic Journey and Dr. Ambedkar’s Concluding Remarks in the Constituent Assembly”, Department of Political Science, Maulana Azad National Urdu University, 15 December.
- “The Political in Ambedkar”, Refresher Course, HRDC-JNU, 29 September.
- “Qualitative Research: Content and Discourse Analysis”, IQAC etc. Holy Cross College, Agartala, Tripura, 29 June.
- “Democratic Ideals and Its Contradictions in Contemporary World”, National Level Seminar Series, Department of Humanities, Presidency College, Bengaluru 15 May.
- “Ambedkar’s Revolution, Department of Philosophy”, Ramjas College, University of Delhi, April 26.
- (Panel Discussion) “Populism v/s Social Justice: Claims and Contradictions”, Polpourri, Lady Sri Ram College, Delhi, April 17.
- “Ambedkar’s Perspective on Decentralization of Power”, SC/ST Cell, Lady Sri Ram College, Delhi, February 2.
- 2022 (Guest of Honour) “Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and National Unity”, National Seminar Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Motihari, Bihar, October 31.
- 2021 (Chair) Gandhi and the Issue of Democracy, Satywati College, University of Delhi, September 24.
- “Towards Peaceful Reunification of the Korean Peninsula: A Northeast Asian Economic Union-Gamechanger in the Search for Peace?” International Leadership Conference, Universal Peace Federation-Asia Pacific, August 19.

- “Lessons from Dr. Ambedkar’s Federalism in Pandemic Times”, Telangana Vedika Samiti, June 6.
- “Ambedkar’s Constitution: A Radical Phenomenon in Anti-Caste Discourse”, Indian Institute of Dalit Studies, April 17.
- “Relevance of Dr. B R Ambedkar’s Economic Vision in Present Scenario”, Dean of Students Welfare, Dr. Ambekdar Chair, Maharshi Dayanand University, Rohtak, April 14.
- “Relevance of Dr. Ambedkar’s Ideas in Our Times”, NSS PGDAV College, University of Delhi, April 14.
- “Women’s Emancipation: Ambedkarite Perspective”, Ambedkar Study Circle, ARSD College, University of Delhi, 14 April.
- (Chair), “Vartman Daur mein Swaindhanik Mulya”, Shodhawari Monthly Lecture, January 23.
- 2020 “Changing Dimensions of Caste System in India, Social Inequality in Political Participation”, BADLAV Sansthan, Udaipur, December 6.
- (Chair) “International Campaign on Dalit Human Rights and Quest for Equality, Growing Intergroup Inequality in India: Emerging Challenges”, Ambedkar Summer School, Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung-Indian Institute of Dalit Studies, Nainital, October 19.
- “Participation of SC/ST M.P in policy making: Is Representation Real or Nominal?” (Webinar-Talk), Society for Social and Economic Equality, 18 October.
- “New Education Policy and Weaker Sections in India: Challenges and Prospects” (Webinar-Keynote Address), Department of Political Science, Binod Bihari Mahato Koylanchal University, Dhanbad, Jharkhand, 16 October.
- “Religion and Violence: Contextualizing Hegemonic Hinduism in Contemporary India”, Open Quote, Oxford University Press and O P Jindal University, Sonapat, 4 March.
- “Understanding Discourse and Content Analysis in Social Sciences”, Department of Social Work, Dr. B. R. Ambedkar University, Agra 18 February.
- 2019 “Dr. Ambedkar and Buddhism”, Centre for Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Studies, Kurukshetra University Kurukshetra, on 09 March.
- “Educational and Political Challenges before Young India: Dr. Ambedkar’s Insight”, Ambedkar Study Circle, Hansraj College, University of Delhi on 18 February.

- 2018 “Role of Dr. Ambedkar in the Constitution Making”, Political Science Department, Dayal Singh Evening College, New Delhi, 30 August.
“Understanding Ambedkar on Democracy and its Challenges”, Orientation Course, UGC-HRDC, Jawaharlal Nehru University, 1 January.
- 2017 “Sensitization of Police officers towards the problem of atrocities against SC’s & ST’s”, Training Programme, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University of Social Sciences, MHOW, Madhya Pradesh, 1 February.
“Indian Constitution and the Marginalized”, Jammu University, Jammu, 24 January.
- 2016 “Inequalities: A Political Perspective”, Indian Institute of Dalit Studies, New Delhi, 29 October.
(Book Discussion), “Understanding Ambedkar” Satyawati College (Day), New Delhi, 26th October.
- 2014 “Inclusive Growth in India: A Critical Perspective”, Annual Function, Rajdhani College, New Delhi, 21 April.
- 2011 “Relevance of Gandhi-A Critical Perspective” (Panel Discussion on Relevance of Gandhi), Motilal Nehru College, University of Delhi, 7 February.
- 2009 “Indian Government and Politics” (02 Lectures), Department of Political Science, Tripura University, Tripura, 16-18 February.

INTERNATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

- 2025 Keynote Speaker, Capital, Democracy and Foreign Policy in Contemporary Times, International Conference, Kalahandi University, 30 January.
- 2024 Session Chair, International Conference on “Transforming Lives Through Adoption of SDGs: Role of Higher Education Institutions”, GD Goenka University, Gurugram, 30-31 May 2024.
2023. Valedictory Address, International Conference on “Social and Political Institutions, Human Rights and Global Justice: Perspectives from India and Europe” Amity Institute of Social Science, Amity University, Noida 9-10 October.
Guest of Honor, New Vision for Tribal Development in India: Strategies, Opportunities and Challenges, Department of Sociology, Jodhpur University, Jodhpur, 23-24 June 2023.

- Keynote Speaker, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru: The Architect of Modern India International Seminar, DAV(PG) College, Karnal 29 April.
2022. Special Guest, India after 75 Years of Independence: Changes and Challenges, International Conference, Social Sciences and Humanities Association, Government Arts College, Sikar, 25-26 November.
- Understanding Conditions for Success and Prospects of Democracy in Ambedkar in Contemporary Times in International Seminar 'Ambedkar, Democracy and Nationalism' Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Open University, Hyderabad, Telangana 11 July.
- 2019 “Ambedkar’s Vision of Transformation”, International Conference on Dr. B. R. Ambedkar’s Vision of Socio-Economic Transformation, Center for Dr. B R Ambedkar Studies, Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra, 7 November.
- “Intersection of Caste and Religion: An Inquiry into Sikhism and Christianity”, Fifth International Conference on Unfinished Legacy of Dr. B R Ambedkar, Dalits in Global Context: Rethinking Gender and Religion, India China Institute, The New School, New York, USA, 24-26 October.
- “Dalits in Contemporary India: Concerns and Challenges”, North County Chapter of the San Diego World Affairs Council, San Deigo, USA, 17 October.
- 2017 “Dr. Ambedkar on Democracy and Its Challenges”, International Conference on Quest for Equity: Dr. Ambedkar’s Contribution organized by Government of Karnataka, July.
- 2016 “Panchayat Elections in Haryana 2016 and Emerging Trends”, International Workshop, From Identity to Interests? Quantitative and Qualitative explanations of electoral change in rural and urban India (EECURI), London School of Economics, London 7-8 June.
- 2014 “Ambedkar, Dhamma and Women”, International Seminar on Understanding Dr. Ambedkar Concept of Dhamma: Transforming Self and Society, organized at Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow, 14-15 April.
- 2013 “People Empowerment, Participation and Inclusion” (Paper Presentation), International Seminar at 7th NRCT-ICSSR Joint Seminar at Bangkok, Thailand on 24-26 August.
- “Urban Rural Dynamics in Uttar Pradesh Electoral Politics: A Comparison of State Assembly Elections of 2007 and 2012”, International Workshop on Comparing Urban and Rural Politics in India organized by King’s India Institute, London, UK on 18-19 March.

- “Modern Institutions and Traditional Mindsets”, International Conference organized by Centre for the Study of Discrimination and Exclusion at Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, January.
- 2012 “Dr. Ambedkar’s Quest for Social Inclusion”, International Seminar organized by School of Social Sciences and Humanities, Gautam Buddha University, Greater Noida, 07 February.

NATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

- 2024 Keynote Address, Beyond Representation: Exploring the Role of Scheduled Castes in Decision Making Processes in Panchayati Raj Institutions in Uttar Pradesh, University of Allahabad, Uttar Pradesh, 1-2 March 2025.
- “Locating Ambedkar on Women Empowerment in Historical and Contemporary Context”, National Seminar Ambedkar’s Contribution in the Making of the Modern India: Impact and its Relevance Today, Gautam Buddha University, Noida 27-28 September.
- “Identity and Aspirations: Understanding Scheduled Castes in Contemporary India” National Symposium, Dr. Ambedkar Chair, Panjab University, Chandigarh, 15 May 2024.
- Special Address at Valedictory Session at National Seminar on Seven Decades of Indian Democracy, Shri Rajeev Gandhi Government College, Banda, Sagar, Sagar, 20 January.
- 2023 “Exploring the Moderating Role of Technological, Organizational and Environmental Factors on the Sustainability Applicability of Industry 4.0: A Multilevel Analysis”, Towards Industrial Development of India: Building Inclusive, Sustainable Competitive Manufacturing Sector to Realize the 2047 Vision, ISID Conference, 4-6 October.
- “One Nation One Election: Prospects and Challenges”, National Seminar (Plenary Session Speaker), Department of Political Science, MGPU of Bihar, Motihari, Bihar 2 October.
- “Coordinator, Political Science”, National Conference on Intergroup Inequality in Indian Society: Magnitude, Nature, Sources, Policies and the Movement, Institute for Social and Economic Change, 23-25 August.
- 2022 “National Education Policy: Transforming Vision into Action” (Keynote Speaker), Sant Ramkrishna Mahavidyalaya, Agra 18 November.

- 2021 “Exploring Emerging Dimensions in Political Sociology, National Symposium, Indian Sociological Society”, North West Indian Sociological Association, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Punjabi University Patiala, 25 April.
- 2020 “Social Inequalities in Political Participation, Growing Intergroup Inequality in India: Emerging Challenges”, Ambedkar Summer School, Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung-Indian Institute of Dalit Studies, Nainital, 19 October.
- “New Education Policy and Higher Education: Equity and Access”, National Seminar on New Education Policy 2019: Challenges and Opportunities, St. John’s College, Agra, 18 February.
- “Higher Education in Rural India: Issues and Challenges”, Shahid Nurul Hasan College, 24 Paragana, West Bengal, 21 January.
- 2019 “Understanding Philosophy of Indian Constitution” (Guest of Honour), Acharya Narendra Dev College, University of Delhi, 26 November.
- “Concept of Justice: Ambedkar and Rawls”, Shyamlal College, University of Delhi, 11 November.
- “Philosophy of Reservation and Public Opinion in Contemporary India”, National Seminar on Reservation, Representation and Social Justice Organized By the Dean, Faculty of Social Science, Osmania University, Hyderabad. 22-23 March.
- Decentralization and Grassroot Democracy in India, National Conference on Pluralism, Identity Conflict and Democracy in India, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi, 19-20 February.
- “Political Representation and Scheduled Castes in India”, at Inception workshop, Political Participation of Caste, Ethnic, Religious Minorities, and Women in India: A Study of Impact of Under-representation and Nominal-representation, Indian Institute of Dalit Studies, New Delhi, 5 February.
- 2018 “Dr. Ambedkar's Perspectives on Federalism”, National Seminar on Federalism in India: Motilal Nehru Committee Report and After at International Centre Goa organized by Nehru Memorial Museum and Library, New Delhi, 26-27 November.
- “Debating Equity and Equality: Some Considerations” (Keynote Address) at National Seminar on Equity with Special Emphasis on Northeastern Region, Dr. Ambedkar Chair, Tezpur University, 21-22 June.
- 2017 “Indian Federalism and Smaller States: Challenges and Prospects”, (Keynote Address) National Seminar on Indian Federalism and Smaller States:

- Challenges and Prospects, Kakatiya University, Warangal, Telangana, 7 February.
- 2016 "Development in ideology and practice: The Indian Experience", National Seminar on Politics of Development in India organized by Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow, 12-13 February.
- 2013 "Dalits, Political Process and Parliament", Seminar on Caste & Dalits: A way Forward organized by Hyderabad Central University, on 24-25 July.
- "Social Exclusion, Political Process and Liberal Democracy", at the Research Training Program sponsored by ICSSR organized by Centre for the Study of Discrimination and Exclusion at Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, July.
- 2012 "Discrimination in Governance and Political Participation", National Law School of India University, Bengaluru, 26-28 May.
- "Dalit Movement and Politics in UP", National Seminar organized by Ambedkar Chair, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, 27 March.
- 2011 "Ambedkar's Schema for Gender Equality: Hindu Code Bill and Women Rights", National Seminar organized by Institute of Development Studies, Kolkata, 11-12 March.
- "Interweaving Caste and Democratic Politics: Bahujan Samaj Party's Itinerary towards Bahujan", National Seminar organized by School of Inter-disciplinary and Trans-disciplinary Studies, Indira Gandhi Open University, New Delhi, 10-11 March.
- "Engaging Ambedkar on Inclusive Society: Exploring Unconventional Concerns", National Seminar organized by Ambedkar Studies Centre, Babasaheb Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow, 4-5 March.
- 2010 "Democracy, Decentralization and Dalits", National Seminar on Democracy: India's Experience, organized by the Department of Political Science, Kakatiya University, Andhra Pradesh in March.
- 2009 "Federal Structure and Decentralization of Power: Exploring Ambedkar's Position", National Seminar on Dr. B.R. Ambedkar as a Social Theorist India organized by Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Studies Centre, Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow, 14-15 April.
- "Confronting the Discourses of Hegemony: Politics of Representation and Equity", Seminar on Towards a Social Justice Regime in India organized by Centre for Political Studies, School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi in February.

- 2008 "Dr. Ambedkar and Development of Inclusive Policy in India", State Level Seminar on Role of Reservation Policy in Uplifting the Underprivileged Sections of India organized by Bhawan's College Mumbai, 23 August.
- 2006 "Affirmative Action in India: Myth and Reality", National Seminar on Dalits and Human Rights: Contemporary Issues and Emerging Patterns organized by Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Studies Centre, Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow in November.
- "Hindu Code Bill: Testament for Gender Equality and Social Transformation", National Seminar on Dr. B.R. Ambedkar: Vision and Reality, 50 Years of Post-Ambedkar India organized by Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Studies Centre, Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow in April.
- 2003 "Reservation in Legislatures, Panchayats and the Dalits", Seminar on Equal Opportunities, Affirmative Action, and the Scheduled Castes: Challenges and Prospects organized by Dr. Ambedkar Chair, CSSS/SSS, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, October.
- 1998 "Contesting Views on Panchayati Raj: Ambedkar and 73rd Amendment Act", National Seminar on Ambedkar in Retrospect organized by the Centre for the Study of Regional Development, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, August.
- 1996 "Emergence of Bahujan Samaj Party in 1996 Election and Its Social Implications", National Seminar on Political Sociology of India's Democracy: Analyzing 1996 General Election & Its Implications organized by the Centre for the Study of Social Systems, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

LEADERSHIP IN ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

- 2020 Young Scholars Conference 2020 State and Democratic Politics, Centre for Political Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, DSA Sponsored 24-25 February.
- 2018 45th Refresher Course in Political Science and Law/Public Administration, University Grants Commission-Human Resource Development Centre, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi 27 August-20 September.
- National Conference on Religion, Difference and Political Action in India, Centre for Political Studies funded by UGC-DSA and ICSSR-NRC, organized on 19-20 March.
- 2017 Indian Council of Social Science Research sponsored Research Methodology

- workshop for the Research scholars belonging to Scheduled Caste and other Marginalized Groups on 23-25 March.
- 2016 2nd Refresher Course in Political Science at the University Grants Commission-Human Resource Development Centre, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, 25 July -19 August.
- 2015 Orientation Course University Grants Commission-Human Resource Development Centre, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, 16 November-11 December.
- 2013 Refresher Course in Human Rights and Social Inclusion, University Grants Commission-Human Resource Development Centre, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi, August.
- Lucknow Social Science Congress, Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow, March.
- 2012 North India Research Methodology Program, Educational Status of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in India, ICSSR sponsored at Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow, 17-19 December.

FELLOWSHIP AWARDS

- 2011 Indo-French Social Scientist Fellowship
- 1995 University Grants Commission, Junior Research Fellowship

ACADEMIC-ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Member Board of Studies, Department of Political Science and Sociology, Dyalbagh University, Agra 2025-
- Member Committee of Studies, Dr. KRN Centre for Dalit and Minorities Studies, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi. 2023-
- Member Fox Fellowship Selection Committee, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. 2017-2019.
- Member Board of Studies, School of Social Sciences Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi 2015-
- Head Department of Political Science Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar Coordinator (Central) University, Lucknow, November 2011- May 2013.
- Director Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy, Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar (Central) University, Lucknow. July 2011-May 2013.

- Member Research Advisory Committee, Apex Body of Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India, 2011-2013.
- Member Research and Ph. D Committee, Board of Studies at the Dr. KR Narayanan Centre for Dalit and Minorities Studies, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi.
- Member Academic Council, Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow 2011-13.
- Member Various University level Committees, Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow 2011-13.
- Member Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship Selection Committee, University Grants Committee, 2007-9
- Member Debating Society, Motilal Nehru College, New Delhi 2005-7

VISITING POSITIONS (2)

- 2009 Visiting Faculty, Tripura University, Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy.
- 2006 Visiting Fellow, Jawaharlal Nehru University, Centre for Study of Law and Governance.

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- 2014-19 Difference and Identity: A Study of Minority Rights, University with Potential of Excellence-Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.
- 2012-15 Politics of Governance and Dalits in India: A Comparative Study of Uttar Pradesh and Haryana, 2007-12, University Grants Commission.
- 2012-15 Educational Statuses of Scheduled Castes in Uttar Pradesh: Attainments and Challenges, Sponsored Project, Indian Council of Social Science Research.
- 2011-13 From Identity to Interest: Qualitative and Quantitative Explanations of Electoral Change in Rural and Urban India, Indo-European Sponsored Project, Indian Council of Social Science Research (International Collaboration-United Kingdom, France, and India).

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