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### EDUCATION

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Doctorate. Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India

Ph. D in Political Science (Comparative and Indian Politics), 2013

Title of thesis: Linguistic Diversity and Group Rights: An Assessment of the Office of the Commissioner for Linguistic Minorities in India.

Postgraduate Diploma. Institute of Federalism, University of Fribourg, Switzerland

Federalism, Conflict Resolution and Decentralization (*summa cum laude*) 2013

Master of Philosophy. Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India, 2002

Political Science (specialization: Political Theory in South Asia), Centre for Political Studies

Dissertation title: Discussion on Equality, Justice and Rights: A Multicultural Perspective

Masters of Art. Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India, 1999

Honours in Political Studies, Centre for Political Studies

Bachelors in Art. University of Delhi, Kamala Nehru College, 1997

Honors in Political Science.

### EMPLOYMENT

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Assistant Professor, Centre for Political Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi  
August 2015 till date.

Senior Lecturer, Political Science, Kirori Mal College, University of Delhi. Delhi  
November 2005 to August 2015.

### PUBLICATIONS (past 5 years)

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#### Books

Sengupta, Papia (2022) *Critical Sites of Inclusion in India's Higher Education*. Netherlands: Palgrave Macmillan.

Sengupta, Papia (2018) *Language as Identity in Colonial India: Politics and Policies*. Singapore: Palgrave Macmillan.

#### Chapters in refereed edited volumes

Sengupta, Papia (2022) 'You are a danger to the society' in Jo Shaw, Ben Fletcher-Watson and Abrisham Ahmadzadeh eds. *Dangerous Woman*. UK: Unbound.

Sengupta, Papia (2022) Mahatma Gandhi's Thoughts on Common Language for India in Ranu Uniyal, Nazneen Khan and Raj Gaurav Verma (eds.) *Reading Gandhi: Perspectives in the 21st Century*. Delhi: Pentcraft.

Sengupta, Papia (2022) Satyagraha, Ethical Journalism and communication: Gandhi in the time of fake news in Nutan Kapoor Mahawar and Dhruvajyoti Bhattacharjee (eds.) *Gandhi and the World*. Indian Council for World Affairs. India: Macmillan Education.

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Sengupta, Papia (2021) Whose nationalism? Imposition, interpretation and interaction-Multiple languages of belonging in plural societies in Ruby Sain (ed) *Religious Pluralism in Contemporary Society*. Delhi: Mittal Publications.

Sengupta, Papia (2020) 'Institutions for Minority Accommodation: A Study of National Commission for Scheduled Castes' in Sudha Pai (ed.) *Constitutional and Democratic Institutions in India: A Critical Analysis*. India: Orient Blackswan

Sengupta, Papia (2019) 'Pluri-lingual Education: Step towards Multicultural Citizenry in India and Canada' in *Education, Culture and the Nation: Comparative Perspective from India and Canada* (eds.) K. Gayathri, B. Hariharan and Suchorita Chattopadhyay. Singapore: Springer.

Sengupta, Papia (2017) Justice for Groups: Multiculturalist Critique of Rawls's Theory of Justice in M.P. Dube (ed.) *Social Justice: Distributive Principles and Beyond*. Jaipur: Rawat Publications.

### Articles in peer-reviewed journals

Sengupta, Papia (2022) Language, communication, and the Covid-19 pandemic: Criticality of multilingual education. *The International Journal of Multilingualism*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/14790718.2021.2021918>

Sengupta, Papia. (2021) Making (ab)sense of women's agency and belonging in citizenship debates in India: Analyzing the Shaheen Bagh protests as 'Act(s) of Citizenship'. *Social Change*. Volume 51(4): 1-15. <https://doi.org/10.1177/00490857211040248>

Sengupta, Papia. (2021) NEP 2020 and Language-in-education policy in India: A Critical Assessment. *Economic and Political Weekly*. Volume LVI No. 43: 45-52.

Sengupta, Papia. (2021) Can Ideas be Deleted? Curriculum in Perspective. *Economic and Political Weekly*. Volume LVI No. 18: 10-12.

Sengupta, Papia. (2020) Open access publication: Academic colonialism or knowledge philanthropy? *Geoforum*. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.geoforum.2020.04.001>

Sengupta, Papia (2019) Hindi Imposition: Examining Gandhi's Views on Common Language for India. *Economic and Political Weekly*. Volume 54(44) November. <https://www.epw.in/engage/article/hindi-imposition-examining-gandhis-views-on-common-language>

Sengupta, Papia (2017) "Impulsive Imposition: Language and politics of majoritarianism in India", *EPW Engage, Economic and Political Weekly*, Volume 52, No. 52, 30<sup>th</sup> December. <https://www.epw.in/engage/article/impulsive-imposition-language-and-politics-majoritarianism-india>

### AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

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2021 Solidarity Award, International Association for Applied Linguistics. The Netherlands.

2018 Visiting Faculty, Department of Politics & International Relations. Rhodes University, Grahamstown. South Africa. April-May.

2016 Fellow, School of Social & Political Science-Institute of Advanced Studies in Humanities, University of Edinburgh, Scotland. UK.

2015 Fellowship to attend the Brown Institute for Advanced International Research Institute. Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, USA.

2015 Fellowship to attend the School of Critical Theory, Cornell University, USA. (declined due to personal reasons)

2013 Fellowship by the Swiss International Development Agency to attend International Institute of Federalism, University of Fribourg, Switzerland.

2013 Associateship award by the Indian Institute of Advanced Studies, Shimla, India (could not accept due to non-availability of leave)

2012 Visiting Scholar in the Center for South Asia, University of Edinburgh, April.

2009 Distinguished Teacher of Delhi University Award for excellence in teaching and mentorship.

2007 Shastri Indo-Canadian Faculty Research Fellowship, May-June, Queens University, Kingston, Canada.

## **PROJECTS & EXTERNAL FUNDING**

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British Academy Global Challenges Research Fund 2021-23 for the project Covid-19 and the South Asian states: a cross-country and cross-regional study. (I am the co-applicant in this project).

<https://www.thebritishacademy.ac.uk/projects/humanities-social-sciences-tackling-global-challenges-covid-19-south-asian-state/>

Project website: <https://www.csas.ed.ac.uk/research/research-activity/covid19-south-asian-state>

Jawaharlal Nehru University-University for Potential Excellence Project 2016-2019, Multilevel Governance and Federal Politics: Comparing India and Canada. (500,000 INR)

Indian Council for Social Science Research-National Institute for Humanities and Social Sciences Joint International Collaborative Project on Higher education as public good: Issues of exclusion in India and South Africa. 2016-2018 (10,00,000 INR).

Minor Research Project, University Grants Commission for the project: Linguistic Minorities and Group Rights: Assessment of Linguistic Minorities Commission in India, 2010-2012. Completed and report submitted (50,000 INR).

## **PUBLIC TALKS AND MEDIA ENGAGEMENTS**

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Sengupta, Papia (2022) Invited speaker for the British International Studies Association on Women in Foreign Policy Research group (online panel) 8th March.

Sengupta, Papia (2022) Keynote address on Gandhi and Common Language in India. Centre for Gandhian Studies, Alphonso College, Central University of Kerala. 25th February.

Sengupta, Papia (2022) NEP 2020 and the Language-in-education policy in India: A Critical Assessment. Special Talk on the occasion of International Mother Language Day 23rd February. Centre for Linguistics, School of Languages, Literature and Cultural Studies. Jawaharlal Nehru University.

Sengupta, Papia (2022) Inclusion, inequalities and the National Education Policy of India 2020. 20th February. Rashtravigyana Charcha Kendra (National discussion Forum) Kolkata.

Sengupta, Papia (2020) India expert on COVID 19 and Domestic Violence, webinar organised by Gender Justice, Bangladesh.

## **RESEARCH SUPERVISION & MENTORSHIP**

Master of Philosophy: 05 awarded

Master of Political Science: 65 awarded

PhD: 2 awarded. 5 under progress.