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Ph.D on "The Irish Influence on the Indian National Movement." Awarded in 2003

Research Interests—Irish Influence on the Indian National Movement, Contribution of Irish men and women in India, Christianity, Conversion and Tribal's of the North-east with special reference to the Khasis of Meghalaya, the Bengali diasporas in North—east India and also problems of ethnicity in North-east India.

List of Publications

Refereed Journals

- Representations of Ireland in the Political Thinking of Sri Aurobindo Ghosh in Studies in History, January –June2007, VolumeXXIII Number1,pp.93-134
- 2. The Proscription of An Irish Text and the Chittagong Rising of 1930 in **Indian Historical Review**, July-December, 2007, Volume 34, No.2, pp.95-121
- 3. A Man with a Mission: Babu Jeebon Roy and his works(1838-1903)in **Journal of the Asiatic Society** Vol.LV Nos.3-4 2013,pp.95-106
- 4. The Healing Hand: Missionaries and their Medicines in the Khasi Hills(1879-1899)in **Journal of History**, Volume 2 2013-2014, pp141-160

Edited Volumes

- 1. **The Integration of the Cooch Behar State** in ed. Sajal Nag et.al.Making of the Indian Union: Merger of Princely States and Excluded Areas, August 2007, pp.72-85.
- **2. The Colonial Impact on the Khasis: An Overview** in ed. Bhaskar Jyoti Basu, Explorations in Economic and Social History, 1200-1900, December 2008.

- 3. Glimpses of Social life in the Memoir of a Bengali Brahmo Lady(1885-1922)in ed.A.Kumar,Proceedings of North East India History Association, Volume31,Shillong,2011,pp.232-241
- **4.** Health, Homeopathic Medicines and a Brahmo Missionary in the Khasi Hills (1889-1899) in ed.A.Kumar, Proceedings of North East India History Association, Volume 32, Shillong, 2012pp.290-299
- **5.** Khasi Society through a gendered lens of an Autobiography *Atmajibansmriti*(1889-1916)in ed. A.Kumar, Proceedings of North East India History Association, Volume 33, Shillong 2013, pp104-114
- 6. 'Bengal vs. Assam': The Story behind the Merger of Cooch Behar with West Bengal in 1950 in ed.A Kumar, Proceedings of North East India History Association, Volume 34, Shillong 2014 pp 553-567

Presented Papers

- 1. "A Dark Age: Crisis and Decline of the Cooch Behar state in the eighteenth century," in the National Seminar –**The Eighteenth Century in North-East India: Crisis, Sustenance and Transition**, 26th-27th March, 2008 organized by the Department of History, North Eastern Hill University, Shillong.
- 2. "Reconstructing Gender: Two Brahmo Women Pioneers and their Contribution towards Female Education in Shillong (1885-1964)," in the National Seminar –Interpreting Historical Developments in Northeast India: A Gender Perspective. 26th-27th February 2009 organized by the Department of History, North Eastern Hill University, Shillong.
- 3. "The Travails of a Brahmo Missionary in the Khasi Hills:Nilmoni Chakraborty and his *Atmajibonsmriti*,"in National Seminar on 'Religion and Society in Northeast India from the 18th century to contemporary times, '26th-28th November, 2009organized by the Department of History, NEHU,
- "The Cosmological world of the Khasis in Evangelical Interpretation," in National Seminar on Development and Underdevelopment: Challenge and Response15-16 January, 2011

- 5. "Glimpses of social life in Shillong in the autobiography of a Bengali Brahmo lady (1885-1922)",in the Annual Conference of the North East India History Association,14-16 February,2011 held at Tura, Meghalaya.
- **6.** "Health,Homeopathic Medicine and a Brahmo missionary in the Khasi Hills(1889-1899)"in the 32nd Annual Conference of the North East History Association held in Tripura University from 17-19 November,2011
- 7. "The Healing Hand: Missionaries and their Medicines in the Khasi Hills (1879-1899)"in the SAP/DRS Phase II Departmental Seminar, 3-4 December, 2011
- 8. "U Jeebon Roy's role in the self-assertion of Khasi identity in historical imagination", in the International Seminar, 'History and Imagination' held from 14-16 January,2012 in the Department of History, Visva-Bharati
- 9. "Daughter of the Hills"in the International Seminar on 'Changing Patriarchies and Gendered Constructs:Gender History in North East India' held in Assam University,Silchar,18-20 January,2012
- 10. "Interpreting an autobiography-Atmajibansmriti (Memories of my life) through a gendered lens(1889-1916)" in the 33rd Annual Conference of the North East India History Association held at Rajiv Gandhi University, Rono Hills,Itanagar,Arunachal Pradesh from 1-3 November,2012
- 11. "Rabindranath Tagore's 'Indian St, Enda': An Irish Parallel? (1901-1916)? in the International Conference 'Tagore and his Global Vision: Forging Bonds with the World' held in the Department of History, Visva-Bharati from 14-15 January, 2013
- **12.** 'Bengal vs Assam': The Story Behind the Merger of Cooch Behar with West Bengal in 1950, in the 34th Annual Conference of North East India Association held at Manipur University, Canchipur, Imphal from 11to 13 November, 2013 and
- 13. "Divide and Quit: The Politics of Partition in Ireland and India"in the International Conference "The Indian Freedom Movement and the Partition of the Sub-continent",on10-11February,2014 held in the Department of History, Visva-Bharati
- 14. "Ideas of Guru Nanak and Sankardeva: An Analogical Study in the International Seminar on "Peace and Universalism in the ideas of Guru Nanak and Allied Thinkers", on 19 January, 2015 in the Department of History, Visva-Bharati