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▪ **Educational qualifications:**

1. B. A., Siliguri College, North Bengal University, 1993.
2. M. A., Department of Buddhist Studies, Delhi University, 1996.
3. Ph. D., Department of Buddhist Studies, Delhi University, 2006.

▪ **Fellowship:**

UGC NET with JRF, Department of Buddhist Studies, Delhi University, Dec. 1997.

▪ **Research experience:**

Over 20 years of research experience including my Ph.D. research.

▪ **14 years of administrative experience/position held:**

1. Assistant Registrar-cum-Private Secretary to Vice-Chancellor, Visva-Bharati University, 2007-2010.
2. Deputy Registrar-cum-Confidential Secretary to Vice-Chancellor, Visva-Bharati University, 2010-2011.
3. Deputy Registrar, Sriniketan (Admin. & Outreach), Visva-Bharati University, 2011-2012.
4. Deputy Registrar, Faculty attached for duty to Rabindra-Bhavana, Visva-Bharati University, 2012-2013.
5. Deputy Registrar attached for duty to Department of Indo-Tibetan Studies, Visva-Bharati University, 2013-2016.
6. Joint Registrar, SC/ST Cell, Visva-Bharati University, 2016-2019.
7. Joint Registrar, Visva-Bharati Publishing Department (Kolkata), Visva-Bharati, 2019-today.

▪ **5 years of teaching experience/position held:**

1. Honorary Guest Faculty, Department of Philosophy and Comparative Religion, Visva-Bharati University, 2007-2008.
2. Honorary Guest Faculty, Center for Buddhist Studies, Visva-Bharati University, 2007-2012.

▪ **Other experience/training and exposure**

1. 'Training Program to Enhance the Conflict-resolution and Peace-making Capabilities of Minority Peoples' Representatives', United Nations Institute for Training and Research, 2001, Geneva.
2. 'Environment and Rural Development', Center for Interdisciplinary Studies in Environment and Development, 2007, Bangalore.
3. Training on Diversity and Equity Management in Universities and Colleges, National University of Educational Planning and Administration, 2017, New Delhi.
4. Training on Reservation Policy of GoI, Central Institute of Public Administration, 2018, New Delhi.

- Attended over 20 national and international conferences.

▪ **Publication:**

(a) Co-edited Book

1. *Relevance of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar for Inclusive Development in India – Inclusive Development, Women Empowerment and Social Justice*, New Delhi Publishers, New Delhi, 2017.
2. *Human Rights and Social Justice: Theoretical Concepts and Practical Challenges*, New Delhi Publishers, New Delhi, 2018.

(b) Research Paper

1. *The Chakma: A Missing Link of the Sakya Tribe?*, Andrea Loseries (ed.), *Buddhism and Its Social Significance for the Asian World*, Buddhist World Press, New Delhi, 2009.
2. *Buddhist Education in Peace and Happiness*, *The Visva-Bharati Quarterly*, Vol.18-19, Visva-Bharati University, Santiniketan, 2009-2010.
3. *The First Buddhist Council: Reaffirming the Collective Leadership, Democracy and Rule of Law in the Sangha*, *The Journal of the Department of Buddhist Studies*, Vol. XXXVII, Delhi University, 2010.
4. *Buddhism in Chittagong Hill Tracts: Past and Present*, Supriya, Kalpakan Sankarnarayan et al (ed.), *Buddhist Culture in Asia: Unity in Diversity*, Vol. II, Somaiya Publications, Mumbai, 2010.
5. *Bodhipathapradipa and Its Significance in Tibetan Buddhism*, Andrea Loseries (ed.), *Tantrik Literature and Culture*, Buddhist World Press, New Delhi, 2013.
6. *Truth as Found in Madhyamika School of Buddhist Philosophy and Its Significance in Understanding the True Meaning of Life*, Sanjib Kumar Das (ed.), *The Schematics Buddhism in India – Ideology and Genesis (Up to 13th Century)*, Buddhist World Press, New Delhi, 2014.
7. *Is the Buddha Biased Against Women?*, Sanjib Kumar Das (ed.), *Bhikkhuni Sangha and Community*, Buddhist World Press, New Delhi, 2016.
8. *Buddhist Epistemology*, Sanjib Kumar Das (ed.), *What is Buddhist Studies*, Buddhist World Press, New Delhi, 2017.
9. *Development: Right and Responsibility*, Pal, Bhikkhu et al (ed.), *Relevance of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar for Inclusive Development in India – Inclusive Development, Women Empowerment and Social Justice*, New Delhi Publishers, New Delhi, 2017.
10. *Human Rights: An Instrument for Social Justice with Persons with Disabilities*, *Human Rights and Social Justice: Theoretical Concepts and Practical Challenges*, Pal, Bhikkhu et al (ed.), New Delhi Publishers, New Delhi, 2018.
11. *Buddha's 'Right Livelihood, Social Vision*, Vol.7, Issue; 1, Desh Vikash Publications, Visakhapattam, April-June 2020.
12. *Vision of Dalit Leaders, Especially Dr. B. R. Ambedkar for Modern India and Its Challenges* (co-authored), *Dalits in India*, Imrul Kayes Alam Sarkar (ed.), Ababil Books, Kolkata, 2020.

▪ **Membership of Various Bodies**

1. Advisory Body Member, SC, ST, OBC Employees Welfare Association of Visva-Bharati.
2. Member, Visva-Bharati Adhikarik Sabha (Officers Association of Visva-Bharati).

▪ **Award:**

Recipient of Dr. Ambedkar National Award for Peace and Justice (2014-2015), Dalit Open University, Deenapur.

▪ **Computer skill and language known:**

Knowledge in MS Office, e-mail and internet and English, Bengali and Hindi.

▪ **Extra-curricular activity:**

Religious and social services, meditation and counselling.

▪ **Area of interest:**

Teaching, interdisciplinary study and research in Buddhism and social sciences, administration of educational institutions, human rights, good governance, inclusive and sustainable development, empowerment of marginalized groups of society such as, SC, ST, OBC, women and persons with disabilities, meditation and yoga.