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Research areas of interest:

(a) Agrarian Relations, Capitalist development Transition and Frictions; (b) Studies on Economic Differentiation; and Surplus appropriation -emerging debates;

Teaching Experience:

- 1) **Nine** years in Mugberia Gangadhar Mahavidyalaya, West Bengal as Lecturer in Economic & Senior Lecturer in Economics **(03-05-2000 to 20-05-2009).**
- 2) **Two** years as Counsellor for MA Economics in IGNOU, Maulana Azad College Unit, Kolkata. **(2007 & 2008)**
- 3) **Sixteen** years in Visva-Bharati as Reader (Economics), PCK; Associate Professor in Economics and **Professor of Economics from 21-05-2015 till date.**

Research Experience:

- (i) As civil servant in Government of West Bengal, India between 1996 &-2000- As supervisor of
-(a) Research and survey related to rural development and Cooperative Movement, (b) Economic Survey conducted by Govt. of W.B., India in the period 1998-99 and (c) Census, 2001, conducted by Govt. of India in the period 1999-2000

(ii) As Ph. D student- Research work for the period-2001-2005 (year of submission)

Administrative experience:

- (a) Dean (Principal) of Institute of Rural Reconstruction (PSV) from 1 st September 2024 till date.
- (b) Part time Chief Vigilance Officer from Jan, 2025 till date.
- (c) Head of the Department for two terms-(i) January-2013 to May 2015; (ii) 1 st March 2022 to 28 th February, 2025.
- (d) Kalyani University-Department of Rural Development Studies- Departmental Research Committee member and BOS member.
- (d) Work experiences of four years in **West Bengal Civil Services**, India, (from 24th June, 1996 to 2nd May, 2000) in districts of Midnapur (erstwhile) and south 24-Parganas, West Bengal, India.
- (e) As Governing Body member of Mugberia Gangadhar Mahavidyalaya, Midnapore for more than three years (2006-2009).

Research Projects:

A Major Research Project has been sanctioned by UGC in 2012; report submitted and account closed on May, 2015. (Rs 5.19 lac)

Doctoral Supervision:

PhD Awarded: Four

PhD submitted for award-One

Ongoing : Three Ph. D students-- in Department of Rural Studies, Visva-Bharati.

PUBLICATIONS IN JOURNALS

(A) International Peer-reviewed-Journals

1 Paper Titled ‘Output, surpluses and ‘stressed commerce’: a study on farm viability and agrarian transition in West Bengal, India in the new millennium’, **Journal of Peasant Studies**, **Taylor & Francis**; Volume 41, Issue 3, 2014, ISSN 0306-6150; DOI:10.1080/03066150.2014.887070; **Impact factor-5.805 –Thompson-Reuter-impact factor.**

2) Paper Titled-‘Capital Intensification, Productivity and Exchange-A Class-Based Analysis of Agriculture in West Bengal in the Current Millennium’, **Journal of Agrarian Change**, Wiley-Blackwell, 2011, Vol. 11 No. 4, October 2011, ISSN-1471-0366; **Impact factor-2.02-Thompson-Reuter-impact factor**
<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/j.1471-0366.2011.00331.x/abstract>

3) Paper Titled-‘Agrarian transition’-diversity in nature, notion and observations—A survey of theoretical expositions and empirical studies with reference to India and West Bengal, **Research in Social Stratification and Mobility**, Elsevier, Science Direct, 2010, Vol-28 No.-4, December-2010, ISSN-0276-5624. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.rssm.2010.05.001>
Impact factor-0.64 Thompson-Reuter-impact factor.

4) Paper titled-'Revisiting environmental concern: the role of the United Nations in development management', **Journal of Political Ecology**; Volume 22 (2015):pg 199-210, ISSN-1073-0451; <http://jpe.arizona.lib.edu>-- **Impact factor-0.32 Thompson-Reuter-impact factor.**

(B) Articles in National Journals:

1. Paper Titled- "*Neo-liberalism and Indian Economy: A Discursive Study*" "Nr.tat.tv- The Anthropology" Vol-2 No.-3, Vol-3, No-4, July-Dec 2012, Jan-Jun 2013; ISSN-2249-9830.
2. Publication in Referred Journal, Paper Titled- 'Agrarian Changes in Post Liberalization Period: A Case Study in West Bengal' J I S –Management Vista- Vol-V No.-1, June-2011, ISSN-0974-0872.
3. Publication in Journal, Paper Titled- 'Immiserisation and Poverty-A Tale of Two Villages in Birbhum District, West Bengal' "Nr.tat.tv- The Anthropology" Vol-1 No.-1, 2011, ISSN-2249-9830.
4. Publication in Referred Journal, Paper Titled- 'Consumption of Food grain and Calorie Deprivation in Rural West Bengal: A Case study of Two Villages in Birbhum District-2010' Journal of Social Work & Social Development, Vol-1 No.-1, June-2010, ISSN-2229-6468.
5. Publication of conference proceedings, Paper titled "Neoliberalism and the Agrarian Question" Seminar on in UGC sponsored 2-day National Seminar on the theme "Development at Crossroads" on 1st and 2nd August, 2012, organised by RAJA PEARY MOHAN COLLEGE, INDIA in collaboration with UTHNAU, MALLARPUR
6. Publication in Peer-reviewed-Journal, Paper Titled--"Peasant Class Differentiation in Output in the Era of Market Regime-A field survey based study in West Bengal, India"-- "Nr.tat.tv- The Anthropology" Vol-4, No-6, June 2014; ISSN-2249-9830; ISSN-2249-9830.
7. Publication in Departmental Journal, PCK-Bulletin, Paper Titled-- Social Caste, Economic Class and Reservation– A case study in West Bengal, PCK-Bulletin, 2010

(C) Articles in Book Chapters

1. *CRITICAL PERSPECTIVES ON AGRARIAN TRANSITION: India in the global debate- Edited by B.B. Mohanty->Chapter-9 (Part-III-Agrarian Transition-Regional Responses)- Title-Stressed Commerce and accumulation process: a farm-level study of agrarian transition in West Bengal-ISBN-978-1-138-66860-7; ISBN-978-1-138-65155-2 (ebk); ROUTLEDGE-NEW YORK, 2016*
2. *Neo-Liberal State and its challenges--editor-Bhupen sarmah and Joydeep Baruah- Chapter--4-Return of the state: End of Neo-Liberalism? An Inquiry into the Indian Governmentality ISBN-978-93-5002-301-3—Delhi, AAKAR PUBLICATION, 2014*
3. *Gender Sensitisation, Women Empowerment and Distance Education: History, Society and Culture -edited by Professor Kajal De, Dr Chandan Basu & Srideep Mukherjee - Chapter-13-Peasant Families and Workforce Structure: A gender based study of Agrarian West Bengal in the Current Millenium ISBN-978-93-82112-12-9; Kolkata, NSOU, September, 2014*

4. *Rural Development: Emerging Challenges in the New Millennium*- edited by Dr. Santanu Rakshit & Dr. Rathindra Nath Pramanik **Chapter-1-Introduction: Concerns of Rural Development: Return of the State, Neo-liberalism and the question of Productive sustainability** --ISBN 978-93-5074-129-0 **ABHIJEET PUBLICATION**, NEW DELHI, 2014

5. *Economic Development Through Financial Inclusion*-> Edited by Abani Tripathy → **Chapter 1-Development Paradigm of Inclusive Growth: A Structural Impossibility in Agrarian India**—ISBN-978-93-80332-76-5, **MANAV PRAKASHAN**, KOLKATA, 2015

(D) Book Edited (Joint)

Entitled 'Rural Development: Emerging Challenges in the New Millennium' Abhijeet Publications, New Delhi, 2014- Santanu Rakshit and Rathindra Nath Pramanik ISBN-978-93-5002-301-3

Conferences/Seminar/Symposia/academic or Consultancy Programmes attended:

(A) PAPER PRESENTED and PARTICIPATED in Conferences, etc.

(I) International-

1) Presented Paper in **International Workshop on Technology, institutions and development: Perspectives from economics, anthropology and geography on agrarian change** at **Max Plank Institute of Economics, Jena, West Germany** on 18th and 19th February, 2011. Paper titled-“*Output, Surplus and Poverty vis-à-vis Stressed Commerce-A farm level study of Agrarian West Bengal*”.

2) Presented Paper in **International Conference on Rural Labourers in Neo-Liberal India** at Xavier Institute of Management-Bhubaneswar, Orissa, India, organised by **York University, Toronto, Canada, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) of Canada, Dialectical Anthropology, New York and XIMB, Orissa, India**, on 18th and 19th December, 2010. Paper titled-“*A Gender based study of Agrarian Workforce Structure in West Bengal in the Current Millennium*”.

3) Presented Paper titled “*Return of the State: End of Neo-Liberalism? An Inquiry into the Indian Governmentality*” in **INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON NEO-LIBERAL STATE AND ITS CHALLENGES 20-21 DECEMBER, 2011**. OMEO KUMAR DAS INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL CHANGE AND DEVELOPMENT, (Sponsored by Indian Council of Social Science Research and Government of Assam) GUWAHATI, HENGRABARI, ASSAM, INDIA

4) 28/1/14 to 30/1/14: International Seminar on Agrarian Transition in India organized by Department of Sociology, School of Social Sciences and International Studies, Pondicherry University, presented a paper-“*Stressed commerce, agrarian crisis and the question of transition-a farm level study of agrarian West Bengal in the current millennium*”

(II) National

1) December-22-23, 2015, -**Chaired technical sessions** -23rd December, 2015 UGC-Sponsored National Seminar on *Economic Development through Financial Inclusion* and

presented paper as **resource person** titled-Development Paradigm of Inclusive Growth: A Structural Impossibility in Agrarian India

2) December 5-6, 2014--As **Chairperson Technical Session -2**, 11.00 am – 1.30 pm Two-Days UGC-DEB-sponsored National Seminar on *Women, Violence and Law: An Intimate Interrogation*':

2) 13/3/14—**Special Lecture (Invited Seminar)** in Department of Political Science, Rabindra Bharati University, on the Topic-“*Sustainability as Development*”.

3) Joint Convener of Two Day National Seminar on ‘**Changing Rural Scenario in the New Millennium**’ held on March 22-23, 2013 organized by Palli Charcha Kendra (Department of Social Studies and Rural Development), Visva-Bharati, Sriniketan.

4) Presented Paper titled “Neoliberalism and the Agrarian Question” in UGC sponsored 2-day National Seminar on the theme “Development at Crossroads” on 1st and 2nd August, 2012, organised by Raja Peary Mohan College, Uttarpara, Hoogly in Collaboration With Uthnau, Mallarpur

5) Presented Paper titled “*Stressed Commerce, Agrarian Crisis and the question of Transition*” as **resource person** in One Day DEC Sponsored **National** Seminar on “Contemporary India: Discontent Within” 10th January, 2012, organised by NETAJI SUBHASH OPEN UNIVERSITY, KOLKATA, WEST BENGAL, INDIA

6) Presented Paper titled-“*Neoliberalism and the question of Agrarian Transition*” as **Resource Person** and also acted as **Chairperson** in one session in a **National Seminar** organised by DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS AND GEOGRAPHY, ACCHRURAM MEMORIAL COLLEGE, JHALDA, WEST BENGAL, INDIA from 22nd February 2012 to 23rd February 2012.

(III) State level

1 – A paper titled -"Neo-liberalism and Indian Economy –A discursive study" presented in the state level seminar sponsored by UGC on 'Special Economic Zones: Its Economics, Politics and Concerns'-MUGBERIA GANGADHAR COLLEGE on 5th February,2009

2. A paper titled “ Reservation - now a weak synthesis but the only available reply to Reservation – then “- was presented in the state level seminar sponsored by UGC on - Reservation and Discrimination in India through Ages-with reference to power, politics and Economics—MUGBERIA GANGADHAR COLLEGE on 8th January,2008

(B) PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL /NATIONAL SEMINARS INTERNATIONAL

1. Participated Topic –“Global finance capital and India’s Macroeconomy”—1st March, 2003, organised by Alumni Association of Calcutta University Economics Department (AACUED)

NATIONAL/STATE LEVEL

2. Participated in a National Seminar organised by Department of Economics and Politics, Visva-Bharati under its DRS-SAP programme, Topic-“Globalization, Agrarian Economy and Environmental Challenges in India” during 15-16 March, 2012
3. Participated in a National Seminar organised by the ‘Planning Unit of the Department of Economics and Politics, Visva-Bharati, Topic-“Rural Development and Planning in India” during 16-17, March, 2012
4. Participated in a National Seminar organised by Department of Palli Charcha Kendra, Visva-Bharati, Topic-“Rabindranath Tagore and Rural Development” during 27-28 th August, 2011
5. Participated in a National Seminar organised by Department of Economics and Politics, Visva-Bharati, Topic-“Contemporary Issues in Agriculture, Environment and Rural Development” from 13/3/10 to 15/3/10
6. Workshop—of “Forum of Development Economics, Kolkata (FDEK)”—27th, March 2004, organised by Institute of Development Studies, Kolkata (IDSK).
7. Topic—“ IPR and WTO related issues” – 20th to 22nd March, 2004, organised by Department of Economics and Politics, Visva Bharati, Santiniketan.
8. Topic—“Industrialisation in West Bengal-A review of past two decades” –23rd November, 2002, organised by Institute of Development Research on Economy and Manpower (I DREAM)

TRAINING AND WORKSHOPS

(I) REFRESHER COURSES

1. VISVA-BHARATI, SANTINIKETAN-DEPT. OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICS
2. JADAVPUR UNIVERSITY, DEPT. OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

(II) ORIENTATION PROGRAMME

1. JADAVPUR UNIVERSITY, ASC
2. IGNOU-

(III) WORKSHOPS

- 1 Workshop—on “Teaching of Development Economics”—17th and 18th , October, 2003, paper presented “Development Economics –Change in Orientation”—organised by Institute of Development Studies, Kolkata (IDSK) and Department of Economics, University of Calcutta.
2. Workshop—on “Examination System and its Reforms: Present and Future”—12th and 13th March, 2003 - organised by Mugberia Gangadhar Mahavidyalaya.

Editor/Reviewer:

Reviewer:

- 1) As reviewer of a paper titled-“Smallholders’ Access To Credit In Pakistan” for **Journal of Agrarian Change , Wiley Blackwell, 2011**
- 2) As reviewer of a paper titled : “Factors That Influence African American Female College Students' Hiv Sexual Risk Behaviors: A Facebook Survey Study” for **Social Science Journal, Elsevier, Science Direct, 2012**
- 3) As reviewer of a paper titled –“ Political And Geographical Scenario Of North East India In Post World War-Ii Period: A Review” for **African Journal of Political Science and International Relations, Academic Journals, 2012**
- 4) As reviewer of a paper titled –“Teaching Economics: The Experience at University of Calcutta” for **International Journal of Pluralism and Economics Education, Inderscience Publishers, 2011**
- 5) As reviewer of a paper titled –“Economics Education in India: A case study” for **International Journal of Pluralism and Economics Education, Inderscience Publishers, 2012**
- 6) As reviewer of a paper titled-“ Implementation of Key Success Factors Drives Small Business Survival and Enhance Enterprise Value” for **Global Journal of Business, Management and Accounting (GJBMA), Global Research Journals, 2012**

Others:

Quizzes, Indoor Games-Table Tennis; Outdoor games-Cricket, Football

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