



CENTRE FOR JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATION
VIDYA-BHAVANA, VISVA-BHARATI

Key Achievements of Prof. Biplab Loha Choudhury, Professor

1. Professional Leadership outside Parent Organization:

- i. 2022: Unanimously selected First Chairman of Indian Communication Congress & Nation Communication Congress Trust, the apex body of Indian Communication Congress for five years' term (2023-2028)
- ii. 2014-2018: Country Director for India (Head of National Executive), 2 terms in Asian Media & Communication Congress (HQ. Manilla)
- iii. 2008: Sectional President, Media & Communication, ICSP-2008 (7th Conference of the International Congress of Social Philosophy)

2. Academic and Research Excellence Award & Felicitation outside parent organization:

- i. 2022: Global Media Education Council award honouring for Life Time Stellar Contribution in Media and Communication in February 21, 2022
- ii. 2002: Felicited by Dept. of Agriculture, Govt. of Assam for contribution to agricultural development in the district of Cachar, Assam as Principal Investigator of Assam University Rural Communication Project (1998-2001)

Key Achievements of Dr Mausumi Bhattacharyya, Associate Professor

1. Research Excellence and Internationally Funded Projects

- Led the U.S.-funded project “The Room Where It Happens” (2021) as Co-Principal Mentor and Communication Coordinator, supported by the U.S. Department of State.
- Served as Project Coordinator for the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES) initiative on Social Communication, Media, and Gender (2009–2012), fostering cross-cultural engagement and community-driven research.

2. Prestigious Fellowships and Global Recognition

- Awarded the IAWRT–FOKUS Post-Doctoral Fellowship (2015) for groundbreaking work on gender and media representation.
- Recipient of the ICSSR Post-Doctoral Fellowship (2017–2019) at Jamia Millia Islamia for research on rural digital empowerment and gendered communication practices.
- Honoured with the SUSI Fellowship (2016), a prestigious U.S. Government fully funded program for global media scholars.
- Represented India at the International Learning Project for Shaping Globalisation in Bonn, Germany (2010), fully funded by FES Germany.

3. Leadership and Professional Impact

- Serving as General Secretary of the India Board, International Association of Women in Radio and Television (IAWRT) for the 2024–2026 term, contributing to policy dialogues on media, gender, and representation.
- Core Committee Member of the International Communication Association (ICA) – India Chapter since April 2024, playing a pivotal role in shaping global research agendas and fostering academic collaborations.

Key Achievements of Dr. Sanhita Chatterjee, Assistant Professor

- Associate Fellow, Higher Education Academy, UK (Awarded in 2020)
- University of Essex Doctoral Scholarship, UK (2018-2021)

Key Achievements of Dr Surhita Basu, Assistant Professor

- Recipient of Indian Council of Social Science Research's Minor Research Project 2023-2024 as Project Director
- Centre universitaire d'enseignement du Journalism, Strasbourg University, France organized Audio-visual Online Production workshop trainer along with Matthieu Gorisse-Mondoloni, in collaboration with AJK Mass Communication Research Centre, Jamia Millia Islamia (2013)
- Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India organized Television Journalism workshop coordinator for journalists from Afghanistan (2013) and Joint-Coordinator for Print Journalism workshop for journalists from Afghanistan (2010) and Africa (2009), in collaboration with AJK Mass Communication Research Centre, Jamia Millia Isla

Key Achievements of Dr Arpan Paul, Assistant Professor

- Recipient of gold medals both at Graduate (2008) and Post-Graduate (2010) academic level
- Appreciation for witnessing the Republic Day Parade, 2011 from the Prime Minister's Box at Rajpath, New Delhi as a Guest of Hon'ble Prime Minister of India