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### **EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION**

M.A. (Sociology), M.Phil., Ph.D., UGC NET-JRF, PGDRD.

- 2015 - Ph.D. (Sociology) from University of Jammu
- 2011 - M.Phil. (Sociology) from University of Jammu with Grade-A
- 2009 - M.A. (Sociology) from University of Jammu, Jammu with First Class (72.3% marks)
- 2006 - B.SC. (Computer Science) from University of Jammu with distinction (77.8%)
- 2003 - 10+2 from Jammu and Kashmir Board of School Education with distinction (86.3 % marks)
- 2001 - Matric from Jammu and Kashmir Board of School Education with distinction (82.0%)

### **ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATION**

- 2008- UGC-NET/JRF qualified
- 2016 - PGDRD from IGNOU with Grade B (67.5%)

## **POSITIONS HELD**

- Lecturer in Sociology at Reasi Campus, University of Jammu w.e.f. 14-August-2014 to 27-December-2016.
- Consultant, Centre for Rural Development & Panchayati Raj, J&K Institute of Management, Public Administration and Rural Development (J&K IMPARD) w.e.f. 28-December-2016 to 13-June-2017.
- Assistant Professor in Sociology, Government Degree College Samba w.e.f. 14-June-2017 to 10-October-2017.

## **RESEARCH SPECIALISATION**

- Gender Studies and Political Sociology

## **RESEARCH INTEREST**

- Gender Studies, Political Sociology, Rural Sociology, Sociology of Sanitation, Culture and Tribal Studies

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- ‘Participation of Women in Panchayati Raj Institutions in Jammu and Kashmir’, *The Indian Journal of Social Work*, Volume 73, Issue 4, October 2012, ISSN No. 0019-5634, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai.
- ‘Participation of Weaker Sections in Panchayati Raj Institutions of Jammu and Kashmir’, *International Journal of Innovative Research and Development (Online)*, Volume 1, Issue 9, December 2012, ISSN No. 2278-0211.
- ‘Panchayati Raj Institutions in Jammu and Kashmir: A Critical Analysis’, *Journal of Rural Development*, Volume 3, No. 1, January-March 2014, ISSN No. 0970-3357, National Institute of Rural Development, Hyderabad.
- ‘Women’s Political Representation and Reservation: A Case of Panchayati Raj Institutions in Jammu and Kashmir’, *Himalayan Journal of Contemporary Research*, Vol. V, No. 1, January-June 2016, ISSN No. 2319-3174, H.P. University, Shimla.

- ‘Women Panchayat Members in Jammu and Kashmir: A Profile’, *JK Knowledge Initiative: Higher Education Journal*, Vol. 1, No. 1, 2017.
- Prepared a study material of P.G. Sociology, Directorate of Distance Education, University of Jammu for the Course *Urban and Industrial Sociology* for the session 2016-17.
- Prepared a study material of BA Sociology, ICDEOL, HPU for the Course *Sociology of Environment* for the 2017-18.
- Prepared the two chapters of study material of BA Sociology, ICDEOL, HPU for the Course *Polity and Society in India* for the year 2018-19.

## **PARTICIPATION IN CONFERENCES/SEMINARS**

- Presented a paper titled “Women’s Political Representation and Reservation: A Case of Panchayati Raj Institutions with Special Focus on Jammu and Kashmir” in *XVII Conference of North West Indian Sociological Association (NWISA)* on ‘Changing Institutions of Family and Marriage in North-West India’, 22<sup>nd</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> November 2013, Department of Sociology, Jammu University.
- Presented a paper titled “Critical Evaluation of Panchayati Raj Institutions in Jammu and Kashmir” in *XXXIX All India Sociological Conference (AISC)* on ‘Inequality, Social Justice and Empowerment’, 27<sup>nd</sup>-29<sup>rd</sup> December 2013, Karnataka State Open University, Mysore.
- Presented a paper titled “Women’s in Grassroots Democracy: A Study of Halqa Panchayats of Jammu and Kashmir” in *XXXX All India Sociological Conference (AISC)* on ‘Development, Diversity and Democracy’, November 29, 30 and December 1 2014, Department of Sociology. Mahatama Gandhi Kashi Vidyapeeth University, Varanasi.
- Presented a paper titled “Women’s Empowerment through Panchayati Raj Institutions: A Case of Jammu and Kashmir” in *State Level Seminar* on ‘Women Empowerment (Indian Perspective)’, March 14 2016, Govt. Degree College, Reasi (J&K).
- Presented a paper titled “Women, Politics and Affirmative action: A Case of Jammu and Kashmir” in *National Seminar* on ‘Society, Culture and Politics in Jammu and Kashmir’, March 29-30 2016, Department of Sociology., University of Jammu.

- Presented a paper titled “Panchayati Raj Institutions in Jammu and Kashmir: Case Studies of Best Performing Panchayats” in *43<sup>rd</sup> All India Sociological Conference (AISC)* on ‘Neo-Liberalism, Consumption and Culture’, 9th-12th November 2017, Lucknow University, Lucknow.
- Participated in *XV<sup>th</sup> Conference of North West Indian Sociological Association (NWISA)* on ‘Dynamics of Caste and Religion in North-West india: Continuity, Conflict and Change’, 17-18 November 2011, Department of Sociology, GNDU, Amritsar.
- Participated in *National Seminar* on ‘Internal Migration and Emergent Social Formations’, 23<sup>rd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> November 2011 at Department of Sociology, Jammu University, Jammu.
- Participated in *National Seminar* on ‘Devolution of Powers in Jammu and Kashmir’, 21<sup>st</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2012 at Department of Sociology, Jammu University, Jammu.

## **MEMBERSHIP OF LEARNED BODIES**

- Life membership of North-West Indian Sociological Association
- Life membership of Indian Sociological Society (Membership Number LMI-4278)

**Signature of Candidate**



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