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Subject Specialization: Modern Indian History

Areas of Research Interest: Diaspora Studies, Gender studies, and regional history.

No. of Ph.D. students: (a) Awarded:04 (b) Submitted : 06 (c) Ongoing: 06

No. of M.Phil. students: 20

Achievement & Awards:

- Received University Medal and Suroj Mohini Devi Medal for Ist Class First in M.A. History 1998, University of North Bengal.

Professional Experiences:

•**UG:** 6 Years (Kurseong College 2002-2009)

•**PG:** 15 Years in NBU (2009-till date)

Administrative Experiences and other institutional responsibilities

- Head of the Department of Women's Studies (2024-till date)
- Director, Akshay Maitreyee Heritage Museum, University of North Bengal (2022-till date)
- Head of the Department of History (2022-2024)
- •Head of the Department of History (2018-2020)
- Assistant director, HRDC, NBU (2018-2020)
- Member of Centre of Local languages and Culture, NBU
- Chairperson of the UG Board of Studies in History, NBU
- Member of the Board of Research Studies, Cooch Behar Panchanan Barma University
- Chairman, Subject Expert Committee of Distance Education, North Bengal University, 2018-2018-20
- Course Coordinator (s), Refresher Course in History (HRDC,NBU), from 4th Feb, -17th Feb, 2019

PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN

- Women vendors in Siliguri : An Untold Story, Centre for Women's Studies, NBU, 2010
- A Study of Women Members of Panchayat of Matigara II, Centre for Women's Studies, 2014
- Resettlement of the Evacuees from Burma in North Bengal, NBU, 2016
- People, Landscape and Economy: Darjeeling Himalayan Railway, University of North Bengal, 2022
- Forgotten Heroes: The Nationalist Movement in The Hills of Darjeeling, Inidan Council for Historical Research, 2023-ongoing

Selective List of Publications:

Books Published

- *Anita Bagchi & Dahlia Bhattacharya edited Omnibus of North Bengal: The History and Culture of the Hills and the Plains, Vol –I & II, B.R.Publication, New Delhi, 2013.*
- Dahlia Bhattacharya & Chanchal Mandal, Demography, Economy and Political Tensions : A Study of Darjeeling Hills, Abhijeet Publications, New Delhi, 2023
- Dahlia Bhattacharya, & Sweety Paul, An Account of Displacement and Resettlement of Bengalis to Darjeeling Terrain, Abhijeet Publications

Articles in Edited Books:

- *Indian Diaspora and women : A quest for an Identity in Colonial and Post-colonial times*, in Maya Ghosh edited Towards Engendering Development, Centre for Women's Studies, NBU, 2011
- The Rajbanshi Kshatriya Movement : A Study of Caste Mobilisation in North Bengal during the Colonial times, in Anita Bagchi & Dahlia Bhattacharya edited Omnibus of North Bengal: The History and Culture of the Hills and the Plains, Vol –I, B.R.Publication, New Delhi, 2013.
- Bengali Revolutionaries and Burma: Swadeshi, Boycott and Extremism, *A Tribute to An Icon Essays in Memory of Prof. D.P. Sinha Edited by Anita Bagchi, Malay Shankar Bhattacharya*, Sagnik Books, 2020.
- European Leisure and Recreation : A Glimpse of Cultural Hegemony in the Hill Town of Darjeeling (1835-

1947), in *History and Thought of India Essays in Memory of Prof. P.K.Bhattacharya* edited by Anita Bagchi, Shymal Guharoy, Nurul Islam, Sudash Lama, Abhijeet Publications, 2022

- A Discourse on Colonial, Discipline and Punishment: Prisons in Colonial Darjeeling (1835-1947) in *Darjeeling In search of People's History of the Hills* edited by Dinesh Chandra Ray and Srikanta Roy Chowdhury, Manohar Publishers & Distributors, 2022

Edited Books/Journals:

- Associate Editor, Karatoya, North Bengal University Journal of History, March 2011, Volume -4.
- Editor, Karatoya, Journal of History, March 2015, Volume -8
- Editor, Karatoya, Journal of History, NBU, March 2018, Volume-11
- Editor, Karatoya, Journal of History, NBU, March 2023-Volume -16
- Associate Editor of Book - Omnibus of North Bengal, History of the Culture and Society of the Hills and Plains, Volume - I & II, 2013. B.R. Publication, New Delhi.

Papers in Journals:

- *Rethinking the role of the Nepalese of Darjeeling Hills in the Indian National Movement (1906-1947)*, p-158-167, Journal of Indian History, University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram, Volume LXXXVIII, Parts 1-3, April, August and December, 2009.
- *Brahmodesh pratyagoto Bangalir Itihas O Evacuee samasya (1939-1962)*, p-1031-1036, Itihas Anusandhan, Volume 25, Paschim Banga Itihas Samsad, January 2011
- *Gender Inequality and Patriarchy: The Migrant Women Workers in colonial India*, p7-12; Journal of Women's Studies, Centre for Women's Studies, University of North Bengal, March 2010.
- *Bengali Diaspora in Burma : Dynamics of political Interactions (1885-1948)*, p-67-82, Karatoya, North Bengal University Journal of History, March 2011, Volume -4.
- *Dhimals : Search for Identity and Existence of A Tribe in the Darjeeling Terrain* jointly with Sudip Khasnobish, in Journal of Indian History, Vol-XCI, April, August, December, 2012, pp-191-203
- *Living in Shadows : A study of the Racial Discrimination and Injustice of the Indian Diasporic Community in Fiji (1879-1987)* in Karatoya, North Bengal University Journal of History, March 2012, Volume -5.
- *Telengana Movement: A Study of Economic Disparity*, in The Historical Review, Indian Institute of Oriental Studies and Research, January-December, 2013, Vol-XXI, No-1&2
- *Tracing The Roots : Reflections of Indian Diaspora during the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries*, in Indian Historical Studies, Vol-XI, NO-2, April 2015
- *Zenana Missions and Christian Missionaries: Some Reflections of the 'White woman's Burden' and Imperialism in the Nineteenth century Bengal*, Exploring History, Vol-VII, Jan-June, No-1, 2015
- *Towards Emancipation: Reflection of Writings of some Muslim women in the 20th century* in Karatoya, North Bengal University Journal of History, March 2014, Volume -7
- *The Exodus of the Bengali evacuees from Burma to Bengal : A tale of return, relocation and resettlement in Bengal (1948-64)*, in Journal of the Asiatic Society 2016, Vol -42.
- *Crime, Criminality and Punishment in Colonial Darjeeling District*, Karatoya, Journal of History, University of North Bengal, Department of History, 2017 volume -10
- *Vaccination of the Indians: Concept of Health, Hygiene and Race in Colonial Burma (1870-1937)*, Vidyasagar University Journal of History, Volume VII, 2018-2019, Pages: 53-64
- *Caricature in Print Media: A Historical Study of Political Cartoons In (1872-1947)* in Karatoya, North Bengal University Journal of History, March 2019, Volume -11
- *Gandhiji's Visit to Burma : Understanding the Burmese against Colonialism and Imperialism (1902-1929)*, An Interdisciplinary Journal of History. Vol-20. No-20, Corpus Research Institute, 2020

- *A Step towards Liberation : re-visiting the English writing of Begum Rokeya*, Journal of Women's Studies, Volume- IX, University of North Bengal, CWS,2020
- "Photography in Colonial Darjeeling: Identifying the European Gaze'in Tangible and Intangible : Cultural Heritage of Sub-Himalayan Region Historical Changes and Possibilities edited by Dr.Sudash Lama, NBU AKHM , NBU Press, 2022.

Book Review:

- New direction in diaspora studies revisiting past, reviewing present and looking at the future,edited by Nilufer E. Bharucha, Sreedhan Rajeswaran and Klaus Stierstorfer,Mumbai, CoHaB IDC, University of Mumbai, 2021. South Asian Diaspora,Taylor and Francis.

Papers/Special lectures Presented in Seminars and Conferences:

- Special lecture titled '*Women's empowerment in India :A Historical Study*' in National Webinar , Dept of History, Salesian College, Sonada,May 2020
- Paper presented titled, '*Crossing the Arakan-An Inter colonial Connection of Burma and Bengal during the 20 th century*,in National Seminar on Connective,Connections and Histories: India and Southeast Asia held on 29 th April 2019, organized by Department of Political Science , Calcutta University and University of North Bengal.
- Paper presented titled , '*Medicine and Public Health in Colonial Darjeeling: A theoretical Discussion*. ICHR Sponsored National Seminar on Darjeeling, held on 5/6/7 September 2019 organised by Department of History, Southfield College,Darjeeling.
- Paper Presented on '*Indian Passenger to Burma : A policy of Vaccination of the adopted by the British since 1885-1964*' .held on International Seminar 'On Understanding South Asia and South East Asia : A Historical Perspective on 16/17May 2019 , Department of History, University of North Bengal.
- Paper presented titled 'Photography in colonial North Bengal; An imperial gaze' in two day International Seminar on Language, Culture and Society , Local and Global Perspective, organized by the Centre of Local Language and Culture , University of north Bengal on March 27 -28th 2019.
- Keynote address presented on ' National Movement in the hills: A historical overview''at the two day National Seminar on India in the 20th century : A Historical perspective organized by the Department of History, Nar Bahadur Bhandari Degree College , Tadong, Sikkim,on 14th and 15 th March , 2019
- Paper presented titled , "Women and Border: Narrative Of Trafficking In Bengal", in UGC National Seminar on Women, Society and Crime , organized by the Centre of Women's Studies , University of North Bengal, 31 st March 2017.
- Paper presented titled '*Health, Diseases and Medicines: A Study of Darjeeling Hills during colonial Regime*' in UGC National Seminar on History of North Bengal: A New Perspective organized by Department of History ,Raiganj Surendra Mahavidyalaya , Raiganj, April 5 th & 6 th 2017.
- Paper presented titled , '*Women in Indian Armed Forces: Challenges, Triumphs and Male Response*' in UGC National Seminar on Centre of Women's Studies, University of North Bengal held on 29th and 30th of March 2016.
- Paper presented titled, '*The shift in the social paradigm: The Rabhas of North Bengal*' in UGC National seminar on Protest Movements in North Bengal through ages: Social, Political and Economic Perspective held on 17th March 2016 organized by the Department of History, University of North Bengal.
- Paper presented titled , '*Women in Protest : The anti-liquor movement in Andhra Pradesh*' in UGC National Seminar on Women in 21st Century : Livelihood , Environment and Sustainability' held on 27-28 March , 2015 organized by the Centre of Women's Studies , University of North Bengal

- Paper presented titled, '*Women in Indo-Bangladesh Border: Some Narratives and Experiences*' in UGC sponsored National Seminar on Women , Patriarchy and Gender: Deconstruction and Reconstruction of History(India and Beyond) organized by Department of History , held on March 13-14 , 2015.
- Paper presented titled, '*Guns and Shots : Looking Through the Colonial Hunting of North Bengal*', in UGC sponsored International Seminar on Environmental History of North Bengal and Adjacent Regions: Contested Issues and Emerging Perspectives held on 21st and 22nd , March 2014 organized by the Department of History, NBU.
- Paper presented titled, '*Changing Status of Women in India: Dimensions and Concerns*' held on 29-30 March,2014 organized by the Centre of Women's Studies , University of North Bengal
- Paper presented titled, '*Portrayal of Women in Advertisement in Indian Television*' on National Seminar on Women in Contemporary India: Issues and Challenges organized by Centre for Women's Studies, University of North Bengal held on 29th and 30th march 2013.
- Paper presented titled '*Telengana Movements:A Study of Economic Disparity*' in UGC & ICHR sponsored International Seminar on State , Power And Ethics of Governance :The Indian Experiences held on 18th - 20th February,2013,Department of History, University of North Bengal.
- Paper presented titled, '*Women issues related to Justice in transition: Past and Present*' in Regional Symposium jointly organized by Department of Law, Department of Management, University of North Bengal and Calcutta Research Group, Kolkata held on 16th August, 2012 , University of North Bengal.
- Paper presented titled '*The literary and cultural organizations: A study of national awakening in North Bengal*' in UGC sponsored International Seminar on North Bengal: Society, Politics and Cultural Heritage held on 16-17 March 2012. , Department of History, University of North Bengal.
- Paper presented titled '*Immigration of the Bengalis in Burma : Impact on Burmese Nationalism and National Movement (1885-1948)*, in UGC and ICHR sponsored National Seminar on Interrogating and Exploring Hindustan, British India and India (1556-2000), held on 29-30 April 2011, P.G. Department of History , Malda College, Malda.
- Paper presented titled '*Diaspora and Indian Women*', in UGC sponsored Seminar on Conceptualizing Women in Development held on 28th -29th March 2011, Centre for Women's Studies, University of North Bengal.
- Paper presented titled '*Rabindranath Tagore : His Travels and Asian Oneness*' , in UGC National Seminar on Rabindranath Tagore: Investigating His views on Nation, Nationalism and Universal Humanism held on 26th March 2011, Department of History , University of North Bengal.
- Paper presented titled '*Brahmodesh pratyagoto Bangalir Itihas O Evacuee samasya(1939-1962)*' , in Paschim Banga Itihas Samsad XXVI International Annual Conference held on 24-26 January 2010 at NBU.
- Paper presented titled , '*Bengali community in Burma in the post colonial period: Problems and experiences*' , in UGC National seminar on Facets of modernity held on 24-25th March 2009, KGTM College, Badgogra
- Paper presented titled '*Rai Saheb Panchanan Barma : Bhasa o Jatir Parichay*' , in Paschim Banga Itihas Samsad International Annual Conference held on 24-26 January 2002 at St. Paul's College .

