

# UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA DEPARTMENT OF ARABIC AND PERSIAN

# FACULTY ACADEMIC PROFILE / CV

1. Full name of the faculty member: Dr. SAGIR AHMAD

2. Designation: Assistant Professor (Promoted to Assistant Professor Stage-3)

3. Specialization: Persian Lyrics

4. Passport size photograph:



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#### 6. Academic qualifications:

College/ University	Degree	Year
Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh	B. A. (Hons) Persian	1997
Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi	M. A.	1999
Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi	M. Phil.	2001
Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi	Ph. D.	2006

# 7. Other qualification:

National Eligibility Test by UGC in 2000.

## 8. Special attraction:

➤ Participated in 137<sup>th</sup> Persian Language and Literature Course and completed it successfully at Tehran University, Iran in 2004.

#### 9. Position held/holding: Assistant Professor

#### 10. Research interests:

Persian Ghazals, Comparative Study (Poetical Works) and Classical as well as Modern Persian Literature.

#### 11. Research guidance:

Number of Research Scholars pursuing Ph. D: 02

#### 12. Select lists of publications:

## (a) Journals:

- کی او دسته گل او (Shibli Nomani -o- Dastegule 'u): A research article published in INDO-IRANICA, The Quarterly Organ of The Iran Society, published from Iran Society, 12, Dr. M. Ishaque Road, Kolkata-16, ISSN 0378-0856, Volume- 70, 2017
- ک مانی کاهی انتقادی به دسته کل شبلی نعمانی (Nigāhiye Inteqādi be Dastegule Shibli Nomāni): A research article published in DANISH- a research journal, published from Post- Graduate Department of Persian, University of Kashmir, Srinagar, ISSN 0975-6566, Volume- 34, 2016-17
- خزلسرایی خسرو شیرین زبان (Ghazalsarāiye Khusrowe Shirin Zabān): A research article published in ARABIC AND PERSIAN STUDIES- a research journal, published from the Department of Arabic and Persian, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, ISSN 2394-9635 Volume- IX, 2016-17
- امیرحسن سجزی: صاحب طرز خاص غزل (Amir Hasan Sijzi: Sāhebe Tarze Khāsse Ghazl): A research article published in DANISH- a research journal, published from Post- Graduate Department of Persian, University of Kashmir, Srinagar, ISSN 0975-6566, Volume- 33, 2015-16
- لامين المير المين (Sahme Amir Khusrow be Adabiyyāte Manzoome Fārsi): A research article published in ARABIC AND PERSIAN STUDIES- a research journal, published from the Department of Arabic and Persian, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, ISSN 2394-9635 Volume VII, 2015-16

- لا الميرخسرو و سهمات او به نثر فارسى (Hayāte Amir Khusrow-o- Sahmāte –u-be Nasre Fārsi): A research article published in ARABIC AND PERSIAN STUDIES- a research journal, published from the Department of Arabic and Persian, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, ISSN 2394-9635 Volume VII, 2014-15
- را الميرحسن سجزى و سهمات او به ادبيات فارسى (Amir Hasan Sijzi-o-Sahmāte-u-be Adabiyyāte Fārsi): A research article published in DANISH- a research journal, published from Post- Graduate Department of Persian, University of Kashmir, Srinagar, ISSN 0975-6566, Volume- 32, 2014-
- ک میست سعدی شیرازی (Jāme'iyyte Sa'di Shirāzi): A research article published in DANISH- a research journal, published from Post- Graduate Department of Persian, University of Kashmir, Srinagar, ISSN 0975-6566, Volume- 31, 2013-14

#### (b) Books/ book chapters:

- پرگهایی از ادب فارسی (Barghāhyi az Adab-e-Fārsi):Arshia Publications, Delhi, ISBN:978-93-90682-87-4, 2021.
- پ فارسی-انگلیسی (*Farhang-e-Masāder: Persian-English*): Brown Book Publications, New Delhi, ISBN:978-93-88928-58-8, 2019.
- پ معدى و حسن: دو ستارهٔ درخشندهٔ غزل فارسى (Do Sitāra-e-Darakhshanda-e-Ghazal-e-Farsi): Brown Book Publications, New Delhi, ISBN:978-93-88928-59-5, 2019.
- ا نقشى از غزلهاى اميرخسرو و اميرحسن (Naqshi az Ghazalhāe Amir Khurow wa Amir Hasan): Brown Book Publications, New Delhi, ISBN: 978-93-87497-15-3, 2017.

## 13. Membership of Learned Societies:

- ➤ Member of the Asiatic Society of Bengal, Kolkata.
- Member of All India Persian Teachers 'Association.

## 14. Subjects Taught:

#### M. A. (Persian)

- ➤ History of Persian Literature:
  - Development of Persian Literature from the beginning down to the Qajarids.
  - Development of Persian Literature in India from the Sultanate Period down to the end of British Rule.
- ➤ Language:
  - Modern Persian Grammar and Composition
  - Essay Writing in Persian
  - Rhetoric and Prosody
  - Communication Skill
  - Translation and Interpretation
- ➤ Modern Persian Poetry:
  - Poems from Barguzida-e-Sher-e-Farsi-e Moasir by D. Monibur Rahman
  - Selected Poems from Payam\_e-Mshriq by Dr Md. Iqbal
- Classical Persian Poetry:

- Selected Ghazals of Hafiz Shirazi and Amir Khusrow
- Selected Ruba'is of Omar Khayyam
- Mathnavi-e Naldamn of Faizi (Selected)
- Classical/Ornate Persian Prose:
  - Waqaye-e Ne'mat Khan Ali
- Forms of Persian Poetry:
  - Ghazal, Ruba'i, Qasida Mathnavi, Tarjee'band, Tarkeeb band etc.
- > Trends in Persian Poetry:
  - An Outline of the Different Styles (Sabk) in Persian Poetry.
- Modern Persian Prose:
  - Dastanha-e-Dil Angiz-e- Farsi by Zahra Khanlary (Selected)

# **❖** M. Phil. (Persian):

• Comparison of Literary Text and Textual Criticism.

# ❖ Ph. D. (Persian):

• An Outline of the History of Persian Literature.

# 15. Academic Appointments:

Assistant Professor, Department of Arabic and Persian, University of Calcutta Kolkata, from 08 December, 2006 to till date, permanent in nature.

## **16.** Professional Affiliations/Appointments:

- ➤ Member of the Ph.D. Research Advisory Committee, at the Department of Arabic and Persian, University of Calcutta, Kolkata. (Since 25<sup>th</sup> February 2019).
- Member of the M. Phil., Research Advisory Committee, Department of Arabic and Persian, University of Calcutta, Kolkata. (Since 2019).
- ➤ Member of the P.G. Board of Studies in Arabic and Persian at the Department of Arabic & Persian, University of Calcutta, Kolkata. (since 2008)
- ➤ Member of the U. G. Board of Studies in Arabic and Persian, attached to the Councils for Under Graduate Studies, University of Calcutta, Kolkata. (Since 15/11/2018).
- A Member of Editorial Board of The Journal "Arabic and Persian Studies" of the Department of Arabic and Persian, University of Calcutta.
- A Member of Editorial Board of The Proceedings of National / International Seminar Organised by the Department of Arabic and Persian, University of Calcutta.

#### 17. OP/RC Attended:

- ➤ UGC Sponsored Winter School in Comparative Language and Literature at the UGC-Human Resource Development Centre (HRDC), University of Calcutta, Kolkata, from 31/12/2018 to 22/01/2019.
- ➤ UGC Sponsored Refresher Course (**RC**) in Arabic/Islamic Studies/ **Persian**/ Theology/Urdu at the UGC-Academic Staff College, Aligarh Muslim University (AMU), Aligarh from 24/10/2017 to 15/11/2017.
- ➤ UGC Sponsored Orientation Programme (**OP**) at the UGC- Academic Staff College, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla from 18/06/2012 to 14/07/2012.
- ➤ Refresher Course (**RC**) in **Persian** at the UGC- Academic Staff College, Maulana Azad National Urdu University (MANUU), Hyderabad from 25/11/2010 to 25/12/2010.

## 18. Other Participation:

- ➤ Participated in 17<sup>th</sup> Persian Refresher Course at Iran Culture House, New Delhi.
- ➤ Participated in National Service Scheme Camping Programme at Aligarh.

#### 19. Awards/Fellowship/Scholarship:

- > Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) awarded by UGC, New Delhi in 2000
- ➤ Gold Medal in B.A. (Hons), Persian
- Merit Scholarship in B.A.

## 20. Other notable activities:

Acted as a Convener in two international seminars organized by the Dept. of Arabic and Persian, University of Calcutta, Kolkata.

#### 21. National/International Conferences/Seminars attended:

- Presented a paper titled "آن لائن تعليم: مثبت اور منفى پېلو" at the One-Day National Seminar on "Modern Education System and Information Technology" organized by Islamic Figh Academy (India) held on September 11, 2021.
- ➢ Presented a paper titled "The Social, Political & Educational Contributions of Muslims in Bengal" in the Seminar on "The Social, Political & Educational Contributions of Muslims in Bengal" organized by The Muslim Institute, Kolkata held on 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2021.
- Delivered a lecture as a Resource Person on the "Usage of Rhetoric and Prosody in Persian Poetry" at One-day National Webinar on Zaban-o-adabiyat-e-Farsi (زبان و ) organized by the Department of Persian, in collaboration of IQAC, Maulana Azad College, Kolkata on 21/09/2020
- Presented a paper titled "بررسى زندگى نامه و آثار فارسى علامه اقبال" at the one-day International Seminar on "Sir Muhammad Iqbal: Life and Works" organized by the Department of Arabic, Persian and Urdu, Government Girls' General Degree College, Kolkata held on 12th March, 2020.
- Presented a paper titled "نظری به ویژگیهای غزلهای گیسو دراز"(Nazari-be-vizhgiha-e-Ghazalha-e-Gisudaraz) at the three-day International Conference on "History of Deccan with Special Reference to Persian Sources" in XXXVII<sup>th</sup> All India Persian Teachers' Conference (International Session) in collaboration with H. K. Sherwani

Centre for Deccan Studies and Department of Persian, Maulana Azad National Urdu University (MANUU), Gachibowli, Hyderabad, organized at the Department of Persian, Maulana Azad National Urdu University (MANUU), Gachibowli, Hyderabad on 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup>, March, 2020.

- Presented a paper titled "نظرى به نگرانى پروین اعتصامی از طبقهٔ محروم جامعه" (Nazari be Negarani-e-Parveen E'tesami az Tabaqe-e-Mahroom-e-Jame'e) at the tow-day International Persian conference on "The contribution of Women in Promotion of Persian Language, Literature, Science, Art, Culture and Civilization" organized at the Department of Persian, Maulana Azad National Urdu University (MANUU), Gachibowli, Hyderabad on 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, March, 2020.
- > Presented a Paper titled "غالب از حيث غزلسراى فارسى" at one day **International Seminar** on "**Understanding of Mirza Ghalib in the Present Context**" organized by the Iran Society, Kolkata held on February 15, 2020.
- ➤ Presented a paper titled "Nigahi be Karburde Auzan dar Ghazalha-e- Amir Khusrow at the one-day International Seminar on "Amir Khusrow in the Mirror of his Poetry" organized by the Department of Persian, Government Girls' General Degree College, Kolkata in collaboration with National Council for Promotion of Urdu Language held on 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2019.
- ➤ Presented a Paper titled "Bar rasi-o-Arzyabi-e-Ghazalha-e-Syed Fath Ali Waisi" at the three-day International Seminar on "Persian Heritage of Bengal" organized by the Iran Society held on February 15-17, 2019.
- ▶ Presented a paper titled "Nigahi-e-Inteqadi be Fawaidul Foad –e-Hasan Sijzi" at the three-day International Conference on "The Contribution of Deccan (India) to Persian Language and Literature" in XXXVI<sup>th</sup> All India Persian Teachers' Conference (International Session) organized at the Department of Persian, Maulana Azad National Urdu University (MANUU), Gachibowli, Hyderabad on 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup>, February, 2019.
- ▶ Presented a paper titled "Chandran Bhan Brahman and his Persian Prose Writings" at the two-day International Seminar on "The Contribution of Non-Muslim Poets and Writers to the Development of Urdu, Persian & Arabic Studies" on the Occasion of Platinum Jubilee of the Department of Arabic, Persian, Urdu & Islamic Studies organized by the Department of Arabic, Persian, Urdu & Islamic Studies, Bhasha-Bhavana, Visva-Bharati (A Central University) Santiniketan, West Bengal, India on 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> November, 2018.
- ➤ Presented a paper titled "Indian Society and Importance of Tasawwuf in the 21st Century" at the two-day International Seminar on "Indian Society and Importance of Tasawwuf in the 21st Century" Organized by the Majlis-e-Arzan Shahi, Howrah, West Bengal, on 10th & 11st November, 2018.
- ➤ Presented a paper titled "Faizi-o-Masnavi-e-Naldaman-e-u" at International Conference of XXXV<sup>th</sup> All India Persian Teachers' Conference (International Session)

- organized at the Department of Arabic, Persian, Urdu & Islamic Studies, Bhasha-Bhavana, Visva-Bharati (A Central University) Santiniketan, West Bengal, India held from 27<sup>th</sup> -29<sup>th</sup> March, 2018.
- ▶ Presented a paper titled "Shimme-i-az Mazaya-e- Ghazalha-e-Makhfi" at the two-day National Seminar on "The Contribution of Women in the Promotion of Persian Language, Literature, Science, Art & culture in the Indian subcontinent" organized at the Department of Persian, Maulana Azad National Urdu University (MANUU), Gachibowli, Hyderabad on 27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> February, 2018.
- ➤ Presented a paper titled "Jazbi ki Ghzal Goi Per Ek Nazar" at the tow-day National Seminar on "Moin Ahsan Jazbi: Shakhs Aur Shayer" organized by Fakhruddin Ali Ahmad Memorial, Lacknow on 11-12 November 2017
- ▶ Presented a paper titled "A Glimpse of the early Life of Prophet Muhammad" at a One-day International Seminar on "Biography of Prophet Mohammad (PBUH)" on the Occasion of 'World Arabic Language Day' organized by the Calcutta University Arabic Alumni Association, Department of Arabic & Persian, University of Calcutta, Kolkata held on 16<sup>th</sup> December 2017.
- Presented a paper titled "Influence of Arabic Language on the Writings of Ne'mat Khan Āli at a One-day National Seminar on "The Development of Arabic Language in Bengal" organized by the Arabic Alumni Association, Department of Arabic & Persian, University of Calcutta, Kolkata in collaboration with All India Association of Arabic Teachers and Scholars held on 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2016.
- ➤ Presented a Paper titled "Shibli Nomani-o-Dastegule 'u" at one-day **Seminar** on "Allama Shibli Nomani as a Persian Scholar and Poet" organized by the Iran Society held on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2016.
- ➤ Presented a Paper titled "Rawabit-e-Siyasi-o-Adabi Bain-e- Hind-o-Iran dar Ahd-e-Akbar" at the two-day International Seminar on "Taqreeb- Propagation of Harmonious Relations in Mughal, British and Independent India" organized by the Department of Arabic & Persian, University of Calcutta, Kolkata in collaboration with Qutbi Jublee Scholarship Program (QJSP), Mumbai held on 27-28 September 2016.
- ➤ Presented a Paper titled "Maulana Azad wa she'r Farsi" at the two-day International Seminar on "Nehru, Azad and Perso-Arab World" organized by the Department of Arabic & Persian, University of Calcutta, in collaboration with Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies, Kolkata held on 30-31 March 2016.
- ▶ Presented a Paper titled "Maulana Azad wa Jahan-e- Farsi" at the (UGC'S XII Plan) two-day International Seminar on "Arabic & Persian Accounts of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad" organized by the Department of Arabic & Persian, University of Calcutta, in collaboration with Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies, Kolkata & National Library of India, Kolkata held on 18-19 March 2015.
- ➤ Presented a Paper on "Cultural Relations Between Perso-Arab World and India through the Ages" at the two-day International Seminar on "Cultural Relations Between Perso-Arab World and India through the Ages" organized by the Asiatic

Society in collaboration with Department of Arabic and Persian, University of Calcutta held from 16<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2015.

- ▶ Presented a Paper titled "Bedil az Haith-e-Ghazalsara-e- Farsi" at the UGC sponsored (XII Plan) Two-day International Seminar on "The Arabic & Persian Poetry in India" organized by the Department of Arabic & Persian, University of Calcutta, Kolkata in collaboration with Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies, Kolkata held on 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> February 2014.
- ➤ Presented a paper titled "A glimpse of Persian Literature in India during the time of Sadeq Hedayat" at the three-day International Conference on Indo-Iran Cultural Relations: A focus on Sadeq Hedayat and India held from 17 to 19 February 2013.
- ➤ Presented a Paper titled "Bar rasi-e-Tatbiqi-e-Ghazalha-e-Amir Khusrow and Amir Hasan Sijzi and Hafiz Shirazi" at two-day National Seminar on "Indo-Iranian Common Cultural Heritage" organized by the Iran Society in Collaboration of Iran Culture House, New Delhi held on March 7-8, 2009.
- ▶ Presented a Paper titled "The Role of Amir Khusro and Amir Hasan in the Development of Persian Lyrics" at a three-day International Seminar on "Indo-Arab-Iran Relations to Promote Cooperation in Language, Literature & Culture in the Region" organized by the Department of Persian, University of Gauhati, Guwahati (Assam) held from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2009.
- ➤ Presented a Paper titled "Cultural Ties Between India and Iran through the Ages" at the International Seminar on Perso-Arabic Threads in Indian Tapestry, organized by the Department of Arabic & Persian, University of Calcutta, Kolkata held from 05 to 07 February 2007.

# **Seminars/Conferences attended (without Paper):**

➤ Participated the UGC-sponsored one-day International Seminar on "Sanskrit Śāstra Literature: Perspective and Relevance" Organized by the Department of Sanskrit, University of Calcutta, Kolkata on 15<sup>th</sup> January, 2018.

#### **Session Chaired at Seminars and Conferences:**

Chaired a session at the two-day International Seminar on "The Contribution of Non-Muslim Poets and Writers to the Development of Urdu, Persian & Arabic Studies" on the Occasion of Platinum Jubilee of the Department of Arabic, Persian, Urdu & Islamic Studies organized by the Department of Arabic, Persian, Urdu &

- Islamic Studies, Bhasha-Bhavana, Visva-Bharati (A Central University) Santiniketan, W.B., India on 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> November, 2018.
- ➤ Chaired a Session at the two-day International Seminar on "Taqreeb- Propagation of Harmonious Relations in Mughal, British and Independent India" organized by the Department of Arabic & Persian, University of Calcutta, Kolkata in collaboration with Qutbi Jublee Scholarship Program (QJSP), Mumbai held on 27<sup>th</sup> -28<sup>th</sup> September 2016.
- ➤ Chaired a session at the two-day **International Seminar** on "**Nehru**, **Azad and Perso-Arab World**" organized by the Department of Arabic & Persian, University of Calcutta, in collaboration with Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies, Kolkata held on 30<sup>th</sup> -31<sup>st</sup> March 2016.
- ➤ Chaired a session at the (UGC'S XII Plan) two-day International Seminar on "Arabic & Persian Accounts of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad" organized by the Department of Arabic & Persian, University of Calcutta, in collaboration with Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies, Kolkata & National Library of India, Kolkata held on 18-19 March 2015.
- ➤ Chaired a session at the **UGC sponsored (XII Plan)** Two-day **International Seminar** on "**The Arabic & Persian Poetry in India**" organized by the Department of Arabic & Persian, University of Calcutta, Kolkata in collaboration with Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies, Kolkata held on 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> February 2014.