

CURRICULUM VITAE

CONTACT INFORMATION

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PERSONAL INFORMATION

Date of Birth: 26th July, 1968

Place of Birth: Durgapur, West Bengal, India

Citizenship: Indian

Sex: Male

Optional Personal Information:

Marital Status: Married

Spouse's Name: Nandini Mukherjee (Dutta)

Children: Girl Child, Name: Shayeri Mukhopadhyay

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

15 Oct 1992 – 23 April 1997. Education Instructor, Indian Airforce

29 April 1997 – 05 October 2002 Lecturer in History, Khandra College, affiliated to the University of Burdwan.

06 October 2002 – 30 November, 2008 Lecturer and later Reader in History, Visva-Bharati

01 December 2008 – Reader and later Associate Professor of History, University of Calcutta

EDUCATION

Include dates, majors, and details of degrees, training and certification

High School – 1984 West Bengal Board of Secondary Education

X + 2 STANDARD: Uttar Siksha Sadana, Visva Bharati 1986

Graduation: Vidya Bhavana, Visva Bharati B.A. (Hons./Major) in History 1989

Post graduation:, Visva Bharati M.A. in History 1991

....., Visva Bharati Ph.D 2006 Title of the thesis ‘*Military Organization and Society in Early Medieval South India*’

PUBLICATIONS:

Published/Communicated articles/study materials/books for the last five years.

Articles published:

1. ‘Tamil Society and the Military in the Age of Medieval Colas’ in S. Jayaseela Stephen (ed.), *The Masks and Veils: Literature, Caste and Society*. Delhi, January, 2006.
2. ‘Bathing in Fire’: Loyalty and Military Bondage in Early Medieval South India’ in *Proceedings of Indian History Congress, 66th Session*.
3. ‘Birbhume Samanyaybadi Aitijhyer Sandhane: Kusthigiri; Ekti Kshetra Samiksha’ in *Anchalik Itihas: Kayekti Prasangik Bhavna*.
4. ‘Military Organization and Society: Changes in Religious Realm in Early Medieval South India’ in Bhaskarjyoti Basu (ed.), *Explorations in Economic and Social History, 1200-1900*. Visva Bharati, Kolkata, 2008. pp.

5. Preparation of Study Materials for Directorate of Open and Distance Learning, Kalyani University: Paper: Women in Indian History, Topics:

Sources:

- Archival-Government files, official reports, Census reports, Private papers etc.
- Non-Archival – sacred and non-sacred texts, epigraphs, diaries, memoirs, autobiographies, fiction, songs, folklore, photographs, paintings, oral history.

Reform Movements and Women:

- Bhakti Movements, Virasaivism, Brahmasamaj, Arya Samaj, Theosophical movement, Aligarh Movement, Satyasodhak Samaj, Sri Narayana Movement, Self Respect movement.

Women and Work:

- Household, Agriculture, Industry – formal and informal sectors
- Professions, wages and property rights.

6. Preparation of Study Materials for Directorate of Open and Distance Learning, Burdwan University: Historiography and Methodology in History:

- Marxist Approaches to the Study of Indian History: D.D. Kosambi, Irfan Habib and others.
- Methodology in History: History and Science- Affinity or Contrast
- History and Social Sciences.

7. Contributed entries for Ranjan Chakraborty (executive editor), *Dictionary of Historical places Bengal, 1757-1947*. ISBN 978-93-80607-41-2 , New Delhi 2013. I contributed on *Bagnan, Jagatballavpur*,(both in Howrah district) and *Khoyrasole* (in Birbhum district) and a separate entry on *Chattagram*.

Attended and contributed articles in following seminars:

1. Participated in an International Seminar at Jadavpur University on ‘History of Waters in South Asia: Climate, Ecology, Deforestation, Agriculture, Politics and Management of Nature’ on 3-4 March 2006 and presented a joint paper on ‘Soil Conservation in Lateritic Soil Condition: A Historical Perspective’. (forthcoming).
2. Participated in a two day national seminar held at Mahisadal Raj College on 14-15th February 2006 on Anchalik Itihaas : Kayekti Prasangik Bhavna (Local History: Some Relevant Thoughts) and presented a Joint Paper on *Birbhume Samanyaybadi Aitijhyer ssandhane: Kusthigiri: ekti kshetra samiksha* (‘In search of syncretistic culture in Birbhum: Kusthigiri; a field study’).
3. Participated in a Seminar jointly organized by Centre for Archaeological Studies and Training, Eastern Indian Museum, Kolkata on Recent Researches on Archaeology and Pre-Modern History between 9-11 March 2006 and presented a paper on ‘Military Organization and Society in Early Medieval South India’.
4. ‘Dakshinapatha revisited: Economic Life in Medieval South India’ held on 21 February, 2009 at Brabourne College and read a paper titled, ‘State, Society and Economy: ‘Juncture and Disjuncture with particular reference to early Medieval South India’.
5. ‘In search of an elusive ‘Military Labour Market’: Writing a Social History of Politics/ State formation’. In the National Seminar ‘Varieties of Social History’ organized by Department of History, Calcutta University in joint collaboration with Indian Council of Historical Research, on 31st March-1st April 2009.
6. ‘A Note on the Social History of Military Labour in Early Medieval South India’. In the Refresher course organized by the Calcutta University History Department 2009.
7. “Transition from early to Medieval south India” in an International Seminar on *Early Medieval India: Society, Economy and Culture* organized by Department of Ancient Indian History and Culture, University of Calcutta on 2nd and 3rd March 2010

Papers presented in 2010-11

8. Delivered a lecture on “Transition from Ancient to Medieval: A case study of South India” 29 January 2010 at a refresher course titled “Transitions in History” organized by Department of History, Calcutta University in collaboration with Academic Staff College, University of Calcutta funded by UGC .

9. Presented a paper titled “ South Indian Polity: Kingship and Council of Ministers’ on 29 July 2010 under NME-ICT project of MHRD, Government of India ; September 2009 to June 2012, project assigned to EMMRC, Kolkata for the Development of e-content on History.
10. Presented a paper titled “South Indian Polity: Administration and Revenue System” on 5 August, 2010 under NME-ICT project of MHRD, Government of India, project assigned to EMMRC, Kolkata for the Development of e-content on History.
11. Presented a paper titled “South Indian Society” on 5 August, 2010 under NME-ICT project of MHRD, Government of India, project assigned to EMMRC, Kolkata for the Development of e-content on History.
12. Presented a paper titled “Religion in south India” on 1 September, 2010 under NME-ICT project of MHRD, Government of India, project assigned to EMMRC, Kolkata for the Development of e-content on History.
13. Presented a paper titled “South Indian economy – 1” 10 November 2010 under NME-ICT project of MHRD, Government of India, project assigned to EMMRC, Kolkata for the Development of e-content on History.
14. Presented a paper titled “South Indian economy – 2” on 8 December 2010 under NME-ICT project of MHRD, Government of India, project assigned to EMMRC, Kolkata for the Development of e-content on History.
15. Presented a paper titled ‘Changing discourses on Imperialism and new theories of Revolution’. Paper presented at a National level seminar on ‘Dichotomous nature of Globalization’. 07.01.2011 and 08.01.2011
16. Presented a paper titled “Pallava Literature” on 3 February, 2011 under NME-ICT project of MHRD, Government of India, project assigned to EMMRC, Kolkata for the Development of e-content on History.
17. Presented a paper titled “South Indian Architecture” on 1 March, 2011 under NME-ICT project of MHRD, Government of India, project assigned to EMMRC, Kolkata for the Development of e-content on History.
18. Presented a paper titled ‘*Think Global Act Local*’: A Critical Engagement between Two Great Minds; Rabindranath and Patrick Geddes and the Making of Santiniketan. Paper presented at an International seminar at Jadavpur University on *Many Rabindranaths: Across Space and Time*. 28th-30th March, 2011.
19. Presented a paper titled “Fine Arts in the Pallava Period” on 31 March, 2011 2011 under NME-ICT project of MHRD, Government of India, project assigned to EMMRC, Kolkata for the Development of e-content on History.

Papers presented/ Lectures delivered in 2011-12

20. Presented a paper titled “Sources of Early Medieval Indian History” on 5 May, 2011 under NME-ICT project of MHRD, Government of India, project assigned to EMMRC, Kolkata for the Development of e-content on History.
21. Presented a paper titled “Schools of Philosophy and Religious Cults in early Medieval south India” on 7 July, 2011 under NME-ICT project of MHRD,

- Government of India, project assigned to EMMRC, Kolkata for the Development of e-content on History.
22. Presented a paper titled “Schools of Philosophy and the Shakti Cult” on 1 September, 2011 under NME-ICT project of MHRD, Government of India, project assigned to EMMRC, Kolkata for the Development of e-content on History.
 23. Paper titled ‘Public Opinion in Medieval South India’ presented in a UGC sponsored State Level Seminar on *History of Public Opinion in India* organized by Department of History, New Alipore College in collaboration with Paschimbanga Itihas Samsad on 25th and 26th September, 2012.
 24. Presented a paper titled “Agriculture and rural revenue system during the Delhi Sultanate” on 17 November, 2011 under NME-ICT project of MHRD, Government of India, project assigned to EMMRC, Kolkata for the Development of e-content on History.
 25. Presented a paper titled “Indigenous literature during the Delhi Sultanate” on 12 January, 2012 under NME-ICT project of MHRD, Government of India, project assigned to EMMRC, Kolkata for the Development of e-content on History.
 26. Presented a paper titled “Socio-economic and political formations of the Vijayanagara empire” on 8 February, 2012 under NME-ICT project of MHRD, Government of India, project assigned to EMMRC, Kolkata for the Development of e-content on History.
 27. Presented a paper titled “Regional Architecture during the Delhi Sultanate” on 16 February, 2012 under NME-ICT project of MHRD, Government of India, project assigned to EMMRC, Kolkata for the Development of e-content on History.
 28. Delivered a lecture on ‘General Introduction to Indian Medieval History’ at the Department of History, Uppsala University, Sweden on 1st March, 2012 as part of Linnaeus-Palme Exchange Programme between Uppsala University (Sweden) and Calcutta University.
 29. Delivered a lecture on ‘Making and Breaking of the Mughal Empire: The Military Perspective’ at the Linköping University, Sweden on 7th March, 2012 as part of Linnaeus-Palme Exchange Programme between Uppsala University (Sweden) and Calcutta University.
 30. Delivered a lecture on ‘The Mughal Empire 1500-1750’ at Department of History, Uppsala University on 13th March, 2012 as part of Linnaeus-Palme Exchange Programme between Uppsala University (Sweden) and Calcutta University.
 31. Presented a paper ‘The Making of a Small University town: Santiniketan; Interface between Tradition and Modernity’ at Forum for South Asian Studies for the Humanities and Social Sciences, Uppsala University on 19th March, 2012.
 32. Delivered a lecture on ‘India after Nehru: Democracy, socio-economic tensions and Mass Politics’ at the Department of History, Uppsala University on 20th March, 2012.

Papers presented/ Lectured delivered during 2012-13

33. Delivered a special lecture on “Bhakti in South India” dated. 4 December, 2012 at the Department of History, West Bengal State University.
34. Delivered a lecture on “The Cholas and south east Asia” on 28 December, 2012 in a Refresher course “India and her neighbourhood in History” 27 December 2012 – 16 January 2013 organized by the Department of History, Calcutta University in collaboration with Academic Staff College, University of Calcutta funded by UGC.
35. Delivered a lecture on “Army and the interconnections with the society in early medieval south India” in a Refresher course “State and Society in Pre-modern Europe and Asia” dtd. 4 – 25 February 2013 on 7 February 2013 organized by the Department of History, Jadavpur University in association with Academic staff College, Jadavpur University funded by U G C.

Papers presented/ Lectures delivered during 2015-16

36. Delivered a lecture on ‘Military Organization, Class, community and gender in Early Medieval South India in a Refresher Course organized by the Department of History, C.U. in collaboration with Academic Staff College C.U. and UGC on 4 April 2015.
37. Presented a paper titled ‘Colonial continuities’ or disjuncture? The history of preventive detention without trial in Bengal (1919-1978); some preliminary observations.’ In a National level Seminar organized by Department of History and Political science, Mugberia Gangadhar Mahavidyalaya in collaboration with Egra Sarada Sashibhushan College on 4 December, 2015.
38. Delivered a lecture in the Ph.D. and M.Phil course work on Methodology in the Department of History, University of Kalyani on 11 January, 2016.
39. Delivered a lecture in a Seminar jointly organized by Paschimbanga Itihasa Samsad and Department of History, C.U. on *Narrative of Tolerance: Syncretism in Indian History* on 18 December, 2015.
40. Delivered Naren Gupta Endowment Lecture on ‘Religious Intolerance and Corruption of History’ at Khadya Bhavana on 22 December, 2015.
41. Presented a Paper titled ‘Santiniketan at crossroads’: Alternate education, different vision of ‘Indianness’, town-planning and soil conservation’ in a UGC sponsored National Level Seminar on ‘Emerging Issues in Inter and Intra-disciplinary Studies: An Indian Perspective organized by Suri Vidyasagar College in collaboration with Amar Kutir Society of Rural Development, Ballavpur, Birbhum on 4 March, 2016.
42. Presented a paper ‘Meeting of Two minds: Rabindranath and Kshitimohan Sen’ at an International Seminar on ‘Legacy of Communal Harmony in India’s History and Culture (Ancient and Modern)’ organized by the Department of History, Rabindra Bharati University on August 28, 2015.

Papers Presented/Lectures delivered during 2016-17

43. Presented a paper 'Buddhism in South India with particular reference to Tamilnadu' at a National Seminar in '125 years of Maha Bodhi Society of India: Implications on Society' on 31 May & 1 June, 2016 .

Papers Presented/Lectures delivered during 2017-18

44. Delivered lectures for three modules in Paper 10 : Indian Polity for the subject Indian Culture, e-PG-Pathshala, an UGC/MHRD project under National Mission on Education through Information and Communication Technology (NME-ICT), 2014-16.
45. Delivered lectures for three modules in the Paper 11 : Social and Cultural History of India (from earliest to 1707) for the Subject Indian Culture, e-PG-Pathshala, an UGC/MHRD project under National Mission on Education through Information and Communication Technology (NME-ICT), 2014-16.
46. Presented a paper 'Birth of a Genius': Marx, a Great Revolutionary in Science and the First Scientist of Revolution' at an International Seminar on 'Commemorations' organized by the department of History, Jadavpur University on 1-2 February, 2018.
47. Presented a paper 'Religious Identity, State Persecution: Two cases from early Medieval South India' in the Centenary Seminar of the Department of Ancient Indian History & Culture, University of Calcutta on 'Writing Social and Economic History: Issues and Perspectives' on 8 March, 2018.
48. Presented a paper 'Polemics of Revolution: Exploring *Moscow bonam* Pondicherry' at an International Seminar on 'Exploring Indo-Russian Relationship: Pre and Post Revolutionary (1917) Phases' held on 15-16 March, 2018 at the Department of History, Rabindra Bharati University.

Papers presented/Lectures delivered during 2018-19

49. Delivered a lecture 'Bringing the Peasant once more back: Retrospective on Peasant History' organized by the department of History, Ramkrishna Mission Vidyamandira, Belur, on 11 August 2018.
50. Delivered the first 'Dwarakanath Mandal Memorial lecture' on 27 December, 2018 at Ranaghat as part of DIGNITY – 2018.
51. Presented a paper 'Some vignettes of Warfare and Society in Early medieval South India' in a National Seminar on 'War in History' organized by Department of history, Ramkrishna Mission Vidyamandira, Belur Math on 8 February.
52. Presented a paper 'Making of Historical Materialism: Biographical approach' at the Department of Political Science, C.U. in their departmental Seminar on *Redefining the 'Political'*, on 13 February, 2019.

Publications:

‘Military Organization of the Cholas’ published in Prof. Dilip K. Chakrabarti & Makkhan Lal (Eds.) *History of Ancient India Political History and Administration (c. AD 750-1300) (Regional Powers and Their Interactions)* Vol V. N. Delhi. Pp. 288-328. ISBN: 978-81-7305-484-6. 2014

BOOKS:

1. *Madhya Yuger Bharat: Ekti Sabhyatar Path*, N.Delhi, 2010; a translation in Bengali of Irfan Habib, *Medieval India: Study of a Civilization*, N.Delhi, 2010. ISBN 812375865-0. 4th edition 2018.
2. *Rabindranath: Many Abodes*. Heritage Commission, Kolkata. 2013
3. Contributed several chapters in i) *Ucchamadhyamik Itihas (Higher Secondary) XI and XII* published by West Bengal Book Board. 2012, 2013.
4. *Gadar Andolan: Ekti Sankhipta Itibritta*. A translation in Bengali of Harish K Puri, *Ghadar Movement: A Short History*. National Book Trust, N. Delhi. 2012 Second Edition. 2011. 2019 ISBN 978-81-237-8723-7.
5. *Some Aspects of Warfare and Society in Early Medieval South India*. Ashadeep, Kolkata. (Forth Coming)

INTERESTS: i) Rabindranath Tagore. **Finishing a manuscript titled *Shantiniketan Visvabharati o Rabindranath: Ekti Hariye Jaoa Nokshar Khonje*.**

ii) **History of Post independence West Bengal** (some of my scholars are presently engaged in several aspects of the area.)

PRESENTLY TEACHING: Apart from the specialization and the areas of my own research interests I have been teaching different themes/courses in the University. They are as following:

1. Early Medieval Indian Social, Economic History
2. Economic History of Bengal 1757-1857 particularly non-agrarian production, trade networks, big merchants.
3. Economic history of India (south Indian textile industry, colonial period particularly big industries)
4. History of Soviet Russia
5. Communism and its trajectories in India.

Finished Research Projects:

- 1 *Identification of buildings where Poet Rabindranath Tagore has resided/stayed within the geographical boundaries of West Bengal* (commissioned by West Bengal Heritage Commission). 2012
- 2 *Forms and Meanings of Servitude in Medieval South India*, granted by University Grants Commission, India under UPE scheme. 2014.

Ongoing Project: 'Situating Look East: The Cultural Politics of a connected History', a joint project of Department of History and Sociology. UPE II project funded by UGC.