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**Current position:** Assistant Professor  
Department of Sociology  
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### **Research Interests:**

- Gender
- Left Wing Extremism
- Social Policy
- Penology
- Ethnography method

### **Education:**

- **Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India.** Ph.D. on the topic, “Gender, Political Participation and Rehabilitation: A Sociological Analysis of the Women Ex-Combatants in the Maoist Movement of Odisha” in the Centre for the Study of Social Systems.
- **Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India.** M.Phil in the Centre for the Study of Social Systems. Dissertation topic, “Naxalite Movement in Odisha: A Sociological Analysis.”
- **Central University of Hyderabad, India.** M.A. (Journalism and Mass Communication). Dissertation topic, “Behavioral Change Communication among Tribals in South Odisha”: An Analysis.”

### **Fellowships:**

- Qualified NET (National Eligibility Test) in Sociology conducted by University Grant Commission (UGC), 2017, New Delhi.
- Awarded with Doctoral Fellowship by Indian Council of Social Science and Research, (ICSSR), New Delhi, 2018.

**Memberships:**

- Life- Indian Association for Social Sciences and Health.
- Temporary- Jr Sociological Network, International Sociological Association, 2018.

**Languages:**

- Proficient in writing and speaking: English, Hindi, Odia,
- Speaking: Bengali, Telugu

**Computer Related:**

- Proficient in MS Word, MS Excel and MS PowerPoint.
- Used SPSS in research.
- Internet, Email, Social Media

**Publications in Books and Journals :**

- Chapter titled, “Conceptualizing Nature of Identity Movement: An Analysis of Telangana State” in book, “Caste, Tribe, Gender: Politics of Self and the other.” 2017. pp.209-223. Rawat Publication, New Delhi. ISBN-10-8131608298
- Article, “Analyzing the problem of professionalizing Prostitution: A reading of Svati P. Shah’s Street Corner Secrets: Sex, Work, Migration in the city of Mumbai” in BRICS International Journal of Educational Research. 2017. pp:39-43. ISSN 2231-5829
- Book Review, Remembering Revolution: Gender, Violence and Subjectivity in India’s Naxalbari Movement in Sage Publication House, New Delhi, 2022. DOI: 10.1177/23491396221143557 pp :43-46
- Book Review, Remembering Revolution: Gender, Violence and Subjectivity in India’s Naxalbari Movement in Vantage: Journal of Thematic Analysis. pp.133-135, ISSN 2582-7391

### **Editorials/Popular Writings:**

- Why Supreme Court's acknowledgement of sex work as a profession is welcome Indian Express, May 30, 2022.
- The 2019 Hyderabad Encounter and Dark Periphery of Police Power- News Click, June -01, 2022
- With Second Highest Suicide Cases In The Country, It's Time Odisha Paid Attention-Odisha Byte, July 9, 2022
- Wedding Woes: Are Indian Youngsters Giving Up On Marriage?-Outlook, July 17, 2022
- Droupadi Murmu: Representation Through Symbolic Inclusion-Outlook, July 23, 2022  
Droupadi Murmu's election as president is a win for Adivasis – now she must show she isn't a token- Scroll July, 23, 2022
- Indigenous heroines and the unheard saga of the struggle by tribal women against British raj- The Theorist, Aug 15, 2022.
- How Does 'Gendered' Language Affect Social Reality?-Outlook(Special Issue)-Aug 16, 2022
- Why Dalit Lives Struggle While Equality Gets Token Support-News Click, Aug 27, 2022.
- Recognizing sex work as Work: Breaking many barriers- June 07, 2022, Manorama Year Book.
- Remembering B.R Ambedkar: Ideology is not an end to itself; Practice matters, Outlook, Apr, 14, 2023
- Remembering Ranajit Guha, News click, May 03, 2023

### **Research Projects Work Experience:**

- **UNICEF (Odisha).** Research Assistant. March 2010 to May 2011. This was my first in the tribal hinterland of Southern Odisha. It was for capacity building of key stakeholders, namely, community volunteers, selected community reporters, local NGOs for design, management and operation of a community radio station. It Covers about 50 villages in Koraput District. My responsibility was to prepare plans and process documentation based on the needs assessment of villagers. I conducted village level meetings and made presentations where their preferred folk programmes were articulated. Convergence with related government departments, narrowing of content, designing feasible programmers for broadcasting, managing participatory learning process etc. was done by me.
- **Panchayati Raj Department, Government of Odisha.** Research Assistant. May 2011-July 2012. Documentation of implementation and execution of MGNREGS done in Southern Odisha. Analyzed both qualitative and quantitative data after cataloging the findings.

- **World Bank, New Delhi.** Research Assistant. July-2013 - Dec 2013. The World Bank in engineering education in India (TEQIP II and III) was under preparation when I got this assignment., A large part of this project focused on low income states in India, namely, Rajasthan, Bihar, UP, Odisha, MP, Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand. Previous findings of the project revealed that a much smaller percent of SC / ST students entered engineering education, compared to their population size and, when they did join, they often dropped out relatively quickly. The project wanted to understand this better, beginning with how aspirations were formed in these categories of students, what they went through to meet these aspirations and what they did when they did not manage. I documented these aspects so that it would be helpful to design and target the project in upcoming phases.
- **Land Conflict Watch, New Delhi.** Project Coordinator. Nov 2017 to Dec 2018. LCW is a network of researchers and journalists spread across India. I mapped and collected data on ongoing land conflicts and used them to inform public discourse around land rights and governance in India. I was in-charge of managing the whole network of 30 researchers across India and also engaging them in how to identify the nature of conflict and report on websites. My work also involved collaboration with a Delhi based core team for sharing informed and nuanced stories on land rights in India.

### **Paper Presentations:**

- 2022. Presented paper on Gender, Subjectivity and Violence in India's Naxalite Movement: A Sociological Analysis in an International Conference organized by Indian institute of History, Rotterdam, Netherlands from 22-24 June,2022
- 2019. Presented paper on "Gender, Political participation and Rehabilitation: A Sociological Analysis of the Women Ex-Combatants in the Maoist Movement of Odisha" in Ph.D. research Scholar Seminar organized by Centre for the Studies of Social Systems, Jawaharlal Nehru University on 26 -27 Apr, 2019.
- 2019. Presented paper on How health services improves: Analyzing and defining the issues concerning community mobilization and participation in the tribal districts of Odisha in an International Conference organized by A.N Sinha Institute of Social Studies in collaboration with UNICEF & Tata-Cornell Institute, USA, on 5 -6 Apr, 2019.
- 2018. Presented paper on Nation Building without National Interest: An Outlook of Adivasi Movement under Narmada Dam Project organized by MIRDEC-10th, International Academic Conference: Global and Contemporary Trends in Social

- 2018. Presented paper on Gender, Political Participation and Rehabilitation: An inquiry into the Women Ex-Combatants in the Maoist Movement of Eastern India an International Conference organized by the Communication and Sociology Department, Sapienza University of Rome, Italy, on 26 -27 Oct 2018.
- 2018. Presented paper on Holding up Half the Sky: Women Combatants in the Maoist Movement in India an International Conference organized by Great Transition Collective, McGill University and Historical Materialism in Montreal University, Canada, on 17 - 20 May,2018
- 2018. Presented paper on Universal Immunization Programme: An Analysis of Koraput District Odisha in NIRD, Hyderabad organized by Indian Association for Social Sciences and Health, on 23 -25Sep, 2018
- 2017. Presented paper on Understanding identities of Asexuals : An Analysis of past and present in Jadavpur University organized by Saphho for Equality, Kolkata, on 15 -17 Sep, 2017
- 2016. Presented paper on Accessibility and Uses of Reproductive Health Services: An analysis of Tribals in Odisha, Organized by Indian Association for Social sciences and Health on the theme Health, Gender and Development: Emerging Issues and Challenges in Gokhle Institute of Politics and Economics, on 23- 24 Sep, 2016
- 2016. Presented paper on Analyzing the problems of professionalizing prostitution: A reading of Svati Shah's Street Corner Secrets : Sex, Work and Migration in the city of Mumbai, in an International Conference organized by Department of Humanities, Maharishi Markandeswar University,Ambala on 11Nov, 2016
- 2015. Presented a paper on "Conceptualizing nature of Identity Movement: An analysis of Telangana State" in an International Conference organized by Assam University, on 27 -28 Mar, 2015.
- 2009. Presented paper on "National Rural Health Mission- A Progress Report of Orissa" in International Sociological Conference based on the theme "Gender equity and Human rights" by Indian Association of Social Sciences & Health organized by Pondicherry University on Mar 12 -15 2009
- 2009. Presented paper on "Sociology-A Student's Perspective" in National Seminar on Status of Social Sciences in Eastern India organized by Sambalpur University, on 9 -10 Dec, 2009
- 2008. Presented a paper on "Gender and Society" in the All India Sociological Conference, Karnataka University, Dharwad, on 27 -28 Dec, 2008.

### **Other Relevant Work Experience:**

- India. 2018, May: Coordinated and organized "Two Days Training and Orientation Workshop" in Raipur on Data Journalism and Consultation on Documenting Land Related Conflicts.
- Italy. 2018, October: Volunteer in International Conference on Recent Interdisciplinary Studies in Humanities. Sapienza University of Rome, Italy.
- India. 2019, April: Rapporteur of session in International Conference on "Maternal and Child Health in Empowered Action Group States": Sustainable Development Goals Perspective. A.N Sinha Institute of Social Studies, Bihar.
- India. 2021, September. Organized webinar, 'Shifts in Women's Movements Since Independence' by Dr. Sadhna Arya at Maitreyi College, University of Delhi.

### **Participation in Seminars and Conferences:**

- 2021 October. One day webinar on 'Women in Performance' by Dr. Lata Singh organized by Maitreyi College, University of Delhi.
- 2020 May. One day webinar on "Challenges to Peace in COVID-19 period: Solutions from Gandhian Perspective" organized by the Department of Gandhian and Peace Studies, Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Bihar.
- 2008 April. Participated in Indian Association of Social Sciences & Health; Health Conference at Xavier Institute of Management, Bhubaneswar, on Apr, 2008.

### **Government and Administrative Position:**

- Member of the Advisory Committee in the Ministry of Cooperatives, Government of India, 2021
- Member of UGCF Syllabus Committee, University of Delhi, 2021
- Member of the Advisory Committee, Centre for Research, Maitreyi College, University of Delhi, 2022

### **Sessions Chaired:**

- 2021. Co-chaired a session in an International Conference held on 15-17 April in the Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion and Discrimination on the theme 'Voices from Margins' Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

- 2022. Chaired a session in an International conference on Significance of Technology in the Empowerment of India's Tribal Community in the Centre for the Studies in Science Policy on 7-8 Aug.
- 2022. Chaired a session in an International Conference on Strikes and Social Conflicts in the 21st Century in Institute of Social History, Rotterdam, Netherlands on 22-24 June.

**List of References:**

- Dr. Tanweer Fazal, Professor in the Department of Sociology, Central University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad . Email- [fazaltanweer@yahoo.co.in](mailto:fazaltanweer@yahoo.co.in)
- Dr. G. Srinivas, Associate Professor in the Centre for the Study of Social Sciences Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi Email [garnivas@mail.jnu.ac.in](mailto:garnivas@mail.jnu.ac.in)
- Dr. L. Lam Khan Piang, Associate Professor in the Department of Sociology, Central University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad. Email - [lampiang@gmail.com](mailto:lampiang@gmail.com)
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