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Rajarhat
Newtown
Kolkata 700 156
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AREAS OF RESEARCH INTEREST

Narratology, Ethno- linguistics,
Family Language Policy

AWARDS

‘**Sarat Puraskar**’ 2017, by Sarat Samiti, Kolkata, for outstanding contribution on academic research and publication on Sharat Chandra Chattopadhyay.

Junior Research Fellowship, UGC 1995

National Scholarship, Govt India 1985-94

EXPERIENCE

Teaching Experience

25 years in Universities at PG level [as on November, 2021]

Linguistics
&
Narratology

Professor

[February 20, 2009 onwards]
Department of Bengali, The University of Burdwan

SKILLS

Eminent
Researcher

Reader

[June 15, 2007- February 19, 2009] *Department of Bengali*, Jadavpur University

Outstanding
Coordinator

Senior Lecturer

[November 13, 2002- June 14, 2007]
Department of Bengali, Jadavpur University

Peoples Person -
knows how to get
things done

Prolific Writer

Lecturer

[November 3, 1998- November 12, 2002]*Department of Bengali*, Jadavpur University
&

LANGUAGES

Bengali, English, Hindi

[November 13, 1996-
November 2, 1998]
Department of Bengali,
Vidyasagar University

PERSONAL DETAILS

S/o Dr P. C Das

[An Eminent English
Grammarians &
Lexicographer]

EDUCATION

Date of Birth

Jan 16, 1970

Ph. D Jadavpur University, 2002

Category:

NET JRF UGC, June 1995

General

M.A in Bengali 1st class 1st Jadavpur University, 1994
67.4%
Gold Medalist [Prof G.N. Shastri & University Gold Medals]

B.A Hons. in Bengali 1st class 1st, Jadavpur University, 1992
64.4%
Gold Medalist

Higher Secondary(Science) WBCHSE 1988
70.3%
[National Scholarship]

Madhyamik WBBSE 1985
82.2%
[66th rank, National Scholarship]

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Coordinator — *Centre of Advanced Study (phase III) under UGC*

Dept. of Bengali, Burdwan University

External Member — *PG Board of Studies Member/Ph. D Committee/Board of Research*

Visva-Bharati [Centre for Culture Studies], Banaras Hindu University [Dept. of Bengali], Pondicherry University, Vidyasagar University, Gourbanga University, Diamond Harbour Women's University, Kazi Nazrul University

Member — *Syllabus Committee*

NET Bureau (UGC), Kazi Nazrul University, Diamond Harbour Women's University

Former Member — *West Bengal State Committee for Book Selection*

Raja Rammohun Roy Library Foundation

Former Director — *Rabindranath Studies Centre (UGC)*

Burdwan University

Former Deputy Coordinator — *Bhashacharya Suniti Kumar Chatterji*
Centre for Language Studies
Jadavpur University
Member of Selection Committee

RESEARCH GUIDENCE

Ph. D

Awarded: 11

Submitted:1

Ongoing: 5

M.Phil

Awarded: 10

Ongoing: 2

PROJECTS

Principal Investigator — *Major Research Project, UGC, 2010 –2012*

The Fading Ethnicity: A Field Survey on Linguistic Shift of Historically Marginalized Tribal Groups of West Bengal

Principal Investigator — *Minor Research Project, Jadavpur University Research Fund. 2006 - 08*

The Manuscripts and Letters of Suniti Kumar Chatterji

Principal Investigator — *Minor Research Project, Vidyasagar University, 1996-98*

Sociolects of Village Women at Mayna Thana in Medinipur District

MAJOR PUBLICATIONS (BOOKS)

- 2019 (2010) 'Akhyantattwa' [Narratology], Dey's, Kolkata [ISBN 978-93-89377-10-1]
- 2018 *The Fading Ethnicity: Linguistic Shift of tribal Groups of West Bengal*, Indus, Kolkata [ISBN 978-81-910901-7-8]
- 2010 (2001) 'Preface' to *Final Question* [an English trans. of Sharat Chandra Chatterjee's novel *Shes Prashna*] edited by Sukanta Chaudhuri; Penguin Delhi [ISBN 978-0-143-06778-8]
- 2010 (1996) *Srikanta: Shilpa o Jiban* [Sarat Chandra Chatterjee's 'Srikanta: Art and Life'], Indus, Kolkata [ISBN 978-81-910901-5-4]
- 1998 *Kabita o Pathak* [Poetry and its Reader], Sri Aurobindo Publication, Kolkata

RESEARCH PAPERS/ ARTICLES IN BOOKS/ JOURNALS (SELECTED)

- 2022 *Uttar-Sangathanbadi Bhasha Darshan o Akhyaner ekti Genarative Modeler Jukti* [Post-structuralist Linguistic Philosophy and an Argument for a Generative Model of Narrative], Gahan, Kolkata
- 2021-22 *Gurusady Datta: Sama-Sanskritir Oikya Sutra* [Gurusaday Datta: the Common Traits of Culture], Banglar Bratachari Samiti, Kolkata
- 2020 *Vidyasagar o Unish Sataker Samajman* [Vidyasagar and Mass Psychology of 19th Century Bengal], in *Vidyasagar 2020*, (ed.) Soumitra Sekhar, Granthakutir, Dhaka, Bangladesh, ISBN:978-984-21-0345-2
- 2016 *Patrapatrir Bignapan: Atmaparichayer Bhasha* [Matrimonial Columns: Voice of Self-Identity], in *Bahurupe Bhasha*, (ed.) S. Biswas Sengupta, Prativas, Kolkata, ISBN 978-93-85392-66-5

- 2014 *Swami Vivekananda: Dharma, Jatiyata o Ekti Upanibeshher Akhyan [Swami Vivekananda: Religion, Nationalism and a Colonial Narrative]*, Conference Publication, UGC & AKPC College, Hooghly ISBN 978-93-83016-16-7
- 2011 *Ekti A-Drutopaththyo Boi [It's not a Rapid Reader]*, Sandhitsu (November), Kolkata
- 2011 *Tobu Rabindranath [On Rabindranath]*, Madhyoborti (September), Kolkata
- 2011 *Chotogalper Dub Santar [Structural Relation between Novel and Shortstory]*, Images, Vol. 3, Journal of Women's Christian College, Kolkata
- 2010 *Akhyaner Bhitar Bhuvan [Inner Space of Narrative]*, in Sahitya charcha, Publication Division, The University of Burdwan [ISBN 81-87259-75-2]
- 2010 *Sahitya charcha [On Literature]*, Co-editor, Publication Division, the University of Burdwan [ISBN 81-87259-75-2]
- 2009 *Bhabaghurer Bhitar bhuvan [Inner World of a Wanderer]*, Robbar Pratidin (13 Sept.), Kolkata
- 2009 *Akhyantattwer Sima [The Scope of Narratology]*, Visva-bharati Patrika (July-Dec.), Visva-Bharati Granthan Bibhag, Kolkata
- 2008 *Anubad o Sanskritir Rupantar [Translation as Transfer of Culture]*, Conference Publication, UGC & Chanchal College, Maldah
- 2008 *Brahmer Samaj o Hindur Sahitya [Bengali Literature and Hindu – Brahma Relationship]*, Uttaran, Kolkata
- 2007 *Abu Sayeed Aiub: Ekti Byaktigato Path [Abu Sayeed Aiub: A Personal Reading]*, Bangla Bibhagiya Patrika, Jadavpur University, Kolkata
- 2006 *Bhadraloker Bharat Sandhan o Dhorai Charitmanas-er Kathan Riti [The Search of India by Middleclass 'Bhadralok' and the Narrative Style of Satinath Bhaduri's Dhorai Charitmanas]* Satinath Bhaduri issue, Dibaratrir Kabyo (July-Dec.), Kolkata

- 2006 *Jibanananda Dash: Itihas o Asti chetana [Jibanananda Dash: Reflection of Historical Sense]*, Bangla Bibhagiya Patrika, Jadavpur University, Kolkata
- 2002 *Punarnirman o Kabitar Shabda [Poetry: Words and its New Context]*, Uttaran, Kolkata
- 2001 *Shes Prashna [A Preface to Final Question by Sarat Chandra Chatterjee]*, Arani (October), Kolkata
- 1999 *Samprotik Bangla Kabita: Natun Manchitra [Trends of Contemporary Bengali Poetry]*, Pujabarsiki, Sabujdwip, Kolkata
- 1999 *Aranyak: Kalpaloker Bibaran?[Aranyak: A Narrative of Fantasy?]* in *Tin Bhuvan* (ed.) Arjun Roy, Prayas, Kolkata
- 1997 *Swagata Kabir Byaktigata Pathak [Reader's Response and Lyric Poetry]*, Bangabatayan, Kolkata
- 1997 *Bak-spanda O Kabitar Pathok [Speech-Rhythm in Poetry and the Reader's Response]*, Journal, Vidyasagar University, Medinipur
- 1997 *Manasir Chanda O Dwijendralal [D L Roy's Poetry and Rhetoric of Tagore's Manasi]*, Sharad issue, Jwaladarchi, Medinipur
- 1997 *Chaturanga: Shilper Swabhab [The art and technique of Tagore's Broken Ties]*, Annul Issue, Vidyasagar University, Medinipur
- 1996 *Adhunik Bangla Kabita: Bakhtin Tattwer Nirikhe Ami-Amrar Polyphony'[Polyphony in Modern Bengali Poetry]*, Summer Issue, Ebang Ei Samay, Kolkata
- 1996 *Srikanto: Shilpo O Jiban [The Art and Life in Sarat Chandra Chatterjee's Srikanta]*, Bangla Bibhagiya Patrika, Jadavpur University, Kolkata

Seminar / Workshop Organized as Coordinator/ Director

March 19, 2019

Wit and Bangla Literature, Centre of Advanced Studies,
Department of Bengali, Burdwan University

January 2- 22, 2018	19 th Refresher Course in Bengali on <i>Bangla Literature & Social-History: correspondence</i> , HRDC, Burdwan University
March 22-23 2018	<i>Perspectives of Bangla Literature</i> , Centre of Advanced Studies, Department of Bengali, Burdwan University
March 28-29, 2017	<i>Bangla Language and Literature: the Construction of History</i> , Centre of Advanced Studies, Department of Bengali, Burdwan University
August 2- 22, 2013	18 th Refresher Course in Bengali on <i>Bangla Language & Literature: Interdisciplinary Perspective</i> , UGC –Academic Staff, Burdwan University
March 31, 2011	<i>Tagore Studies in Our Curriculum</i> , Rabindranath Studies Centre, Burdwan University
March 30, 2011	National level seminar ‘ <i>On Rabindranath</i> ’, SreeGopal Banerjee College, Hooghly & Rabindranath Studies Centre Burdwan University
March 29, 2011	National level seminar ‘ <i>On Rabindranath</i> ’, Rabindranath Studies Centre & Department of Bengali, Burdwan University
March 28, 2011	National level seminar ‘ <i>On Rabindranath</i> ’, Vivekananda College, Burdwan & Rabindranath Studies Centre, Burdwan University
March 25, 2011	National level seminar ‘ <i>On Rabindranath</i> ’, Ramananda College, Bankura & Rabindranath Studies Centre, Burdwan University
March 23, 2011	National level seminar ‘ <i>On Rabindranath</i> ’, Nistarini College, Purulia & Rabindranath Studies Centre, Burdwan University
March 22, 2011	National level seminar ‘ <i>On Rabindranath</i> ’, Abhedananda College, Birbhum & Rabindranath Studies Centre, Burdwan University

- March 30–31, 2008 *Performing Art: the Socio- Economic Identity of Ethnic Growth of West Bengal*, UGC & Dept. of Bengali, Jadavpur University
- January 24- 25, 2005 *Semester System in Literature: Problems & Possibilities*, Department of Bengali, Jadavpur University

Invited Lectures in National & International Seminar/Workshop/Refresher Courses

- December 03, 2020 *Post Structural Philosophy of language and a Generative model of Narrative*
Refresher Course in Recent Trends in Language & Literature, UGC-HRDC, Burdwan University
- September 24, 2019 *Jaydev and His Influence in Bangla Literature*
National Seminar, Department of Bengali, Kavi Joydeb Mahavidyalaya, Illambazar & Purnidevi Chowdhury College, Santiniketan, Birbhum
- July 17, 2019 *Vidyasagar: Concept of Modern City, and A Chronicle of Rising Middle Class*
International Seminar, Department of Bengali, Vidyasagar University
- April 24, 2019 *Bi-centenary of Iswar Chandra Vidyasagar: In and Outside Bengal*
Key note address in National Seminar, NL Khan College, Medinipur
- February 15, 2019 *The Trends of Bangla Poetry in 21st Century*
International seminar, Department of Bengali, North Bengal University
- September 12, 2018 *Stylistic Approach to Poetry*
31st Refresher Course, UGC-HRDC & Department of Bengali, Calcutta University

- August 2, 2018 *Style of Modern Poetry*
 Refresher Course, UGC-HRDC, North Bengal University
- November 23, 2017 *Kazi Nazrul in 21st Century*
 Chaired a session in international seminar, Uttara University, Dhaka, Bangladesh
- March 3, 2017 *Bangla Novel : A Retrospective*
 International Seminar, Department of Bengali, North Bengal University
- November 19, 2016 *'Kathaa Ishara Bate': Narrative and Extra-Communication*
 National Seminar on Bangla Upanyaser dersho Bachar, NL Khan College, Medinipur
- November 9, 2016 *Post-Independence Regional literature Studies in West Bengal & Bangladesh*
 International Seminar, Department of Bengali, Diamond Harbour Women's University
- October 5, 2016 *On Narrative*
 Workshop on Language and Literature UGC HRDC & School of Languages and Linguistics, Jadavpur University
- September 19, 2016 *Post-1947 Bangala Literature and Culture*
 Chaired International Seminar, Department of Bengali, Visva-Bharati
- December 17, 2015 2nd Tribal Development Programme in West Bengal,
 Chaired a session, National Book Trust, India
- September 11, 2015 *Colony & 'Our' Form: Things Fall Apart & Dhorai Charitmanas*
 11th Refresher Course in Comparative Literature, UGC-HRDC, Burdwan University
- October 31, 2014 *Cultural Identity: Language & Literature*

- 1st Refresher Course in Indigenous Society & Culture,
UGC-Academic Staff College, Burdwan University
- August 29, 2014 *The concept of Mass Movement in Tagore's Plays*
- National Seminar on Rabindra Natake Pratibad, August
29-30, 2014, Chanchal College, Malda
- August 7, 2014 *Language of Poetry*
- 1st Refresher Course on Bengali literature & Fine Arts,
UGC- Academic Staff College, Burdwan University
- June 24, 2014 *Vision 2020: Language & Identity of Scheduled Tribes in
West Bengal*
- Special Summer School, UGC- Academic Staff College,
Burdwan University
- March 21, 2014 *Myth: The Sacred Narrative*
- Interaction Program, for Research Scholars, UGC-
Academic Staff College, Burdwan University
- March 21, 2014 *Statistical Data, Language & Literature*
- Interaction Program for Research Scholars, UGC-
Academic Staff College, Burdwan University
- March 18, 2014 *Narrative Theories*
- 3rd Refresher Course in Hindi, UGC- Academic Staff
College, Burdwan University
- February 28, 2014 *Eco-criticism and Post- Colonial Studies: A Double-
focused Dialogue?*
- 22nd Refresher Course in Environmental Studies, UGC-
Academic Staff College, Burdwan University
- December 6, 2013 *Language & Identity*
- 9th Refresher Course in Comparative Literature, UGC-
Academic Staff College, Burdwan University
- October 25, 2013 *Science of Language*

- Workshop on Research Methodology, UGC- Academic Staff College, Burdwan University
- October 2, 2013 *Post-colonial Bangla Juvenile Literature*
- National Seminar on Purba o Uttar-Purba Bharater Shishu-Kishor Sahitya: Lok Theke Adhunik, Tarakeswar Degree College, Hooghly
- September 26, 2013 *Swami Vivekananda and a Colonial Narrative*
- National Seminar on Janma Sardha Satabarshe Swami Vivekananda, Aghorkamini Mahavidyalaya, Hooghly
- December 16, 2012 *Poetic Diction of Mankumari Basu*
- Lecture on Janma Sardha Satabarshe Mankumari Basu, Bangiya Sahitya Parishat, Kolkata
- November 23, 2012 *Dwijendralal Roy and the Question of Modernity*
- National Seminar on Janma Sardha Satabarshe Dwijendralal Roy, Sahitya Academy
- July 13, 2012 *Narrativity*
- Refresher Course on Bhasha-Bhavanar Ekal Sekal, UGC-Academic Staff College, North Bengal University
- July 12, 2012 *Language of Poetry*
- Refresher Course on Bhasha-Bhavanar Ekal Sekal, UGC-Academic Staff College, North Bengal University
- April 28, 2012 *Bharatchandra: Narrative Style*
- National Seminar on Bharat Chandra Ray: Jiban o karma, Pakuahat Degree College, Malda
- Feb 23, 2012 *Linguistic Diversities: Voice From the Below*
- International Seminar on 'Epar Bangla Opar Bangla', Department of Bengali, Burdwan University
- February 2, 2012 *'Amar Nijer Mudra-doshe' : On Alienation*

- National Seminar on Bangla Kabitay Nissanga Jibanbodh,
Vivekananda Mission Mahavidyalaya, Chaityanyapur,
Purba Medinipur
- September, 13-14, 2011 *Aspects of Spelling of Loan Words in Bengali*
- Workshop on Bangla Banan Samasya o Sambhaby
samadhan, Department of Bengali, Visva-Bharati &
Paschim Banga Bangla Akademi
- September 8, 2011 *A Word for Another Word, an Image for Another Figure*
- National Seminar on Rabindra Parabarti Bangla Kabitar
Palabadal, MUC Women's College, Burdwan
- August 10, 2011 *Rabindranath: the Art of Silence*
- Seminar on Janma Sardha Satabarshe Rabindranath,
Vidyasagar University
- March 23, 2011 *Relevance of Rabindranath in Our Socio-Economic
Context*
- Seminar on Nana Rabindranath, Nistarini College, Purulia,
UGC & Rabindranath Studies Centre, Burdwan University
- March 11, 2011 *Rabindranath and his Creation*
- Chaired International Seminar, Centre of Advanced
Studies, Department of Bengali, Burdwan University
- January 5, 2011 *Rabindranath and Nationalism*
- National Seminar on Bharatiya Manane Rabindra-Bhavanar
Bartaman Prasangikata, Department of Bengali, TDB
College, Raniganj
- Nov.18, 2010 *Tagore Literature and Cultural Tradition*
- Chaired the Seminar, Nikhil Bharat Banga Sanskriti
Sammelan, Raniganj
- March 30, 2007 *Abu Sayeed Aiyub: Rhetoric of Critical Writings*
- National Seminar on Abu Sayeed Aiyub: Janma
Shatabarsa, Department of Bengali, Jadavpur University

- April 14, 2006 *B R Ambedkar and the Concept of Linguistic State*
National Seminar on B. R Ambedkar Janma Shatabarsa,
UGC & Gour Mahavidyalaya, Malda
- April 13, 2006 *Narrative Style of Satnath Bhaduri*
National Seminar on Satinath Bhaduri: Samakal o Uttarkal,
UGC & Gour Mahavidyalaya, Malda
- March 13, 2005 *Eastern India in Post- Independence Bengali Narrative*
National Seminar on Eastern India in Post- Independence
Bengali Literature, Department of Bengali, BRA Bihar
University, Muzaffarpur
- September 12, 2003 *Short Story: Narrative Cohesion*
National Seminar on Ancient Forms, New Stories: Towards
an Understanding of Story as Event, Department of
Comparative Literature, Jadavpur University
- March 8, 2002 *Question of Novelization in 'Final Question' by Sarat
Chandra Chatterjee*
School of Women Studies, Jadavpur University
- February 28- 29, 2000 *New Aspects of Quantitative Linguistics*
2nd National Symposium on Quantitative Linguistics,
Linguistic Research Unit, ISI, Kolkata
- February 26, 1999 *Narrative Style in Modern Bengali Fiction*
Refresher Course on Modern Bengali Literature: 1930 -
1980, UGC- Academic Staff College, Jadavpur University
- January 19, 1998 *Post-modernism and Contemporay Bengali Poetry*
Seminar on Sampratik Kabita: Natun Manchitra, Kabita
Pakshik, Art & Literature Society, Jadavpur University