Curriculum Vitae

Personal Details:

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Educational Qualification:

• Graduated in English (Hons) from Loreto College, Darjeeling in 2001.

Post-Graduation in English from North Bengal University in 2003

Other Qualifications:

- 1. Qualified SLET in 2004
- 2. Qualified NET in 2004

Language, Creative Writing and Communication Skills:

- Completed a 6-month Certificate Course in Tibetan Language and Cultural Studies from the Department of Tibetan, Darjeeling Government College.
- Presented radio talks in All India Radio on the following topics:
- "Women, the Architects of Society" on the occasion of International Women's Day, 2016.
- "Understanding Child Abuse and Neglect" on the occasion of Child Rights Day, 2018.
- "Reflections on Poetry and Life", 2018.
- "Atal Bihari Vajpayee: The Poet Prime Minister", 2019.
- "Women on the Rise in the Field of Sports", 2019.
 - Delivered lecture on 'Effective Public Speaking' on 20.05.2023 as part of the Value-Added Certificate Course on Language and Communication Skills organised by the Language departments of APCR Govt. College, Siliguri
 - \bullet Poems published in *Spark*, the Magazine, Publiknama, Pines and Camelias.



Awards and Achievements:

• Felicitated with 'Achievers' Award' on the 15th Foundation Day of Ghoom Jorebunglow College on 21.09.2018.

Conference/Workshops attended

Presented Paper, 'An Ecocritical Reading of Parijat's *Blue Mimosa*' in UGC Sponsored National Seminar on Ecocriticism organised by Department of English, Diphu Govt College, Karbi Anglong in 2012.

Presented Paper titled 'Ramayana Reimagined: New Age Tellings in Indian English' in Oneday seminar on The Ramayana and Bhanubhakta Acharya organised by the PG Department of Nepali, Darjeeling Government College in 2016

Presented Paper titled 'Gender Stereotypes in Fairy Tales: What they Teach us about Becoming Women' in International Seminar on Contemporary Issues of Women Education in the Global Context organised by Diamond Harbour University (Funded by Dept of Higher Education, Govt of West Bengal) in 2018.

Presented Paper titled 'Art-Life Dichotomy in Shiv Kumar Rai's "Asafal Kalakar" and "Shilpi" in National Seminar on Shiv Kumar Rai and his Versatile Legacy organised by the PG Department of Nepali, Darjeeling Government College.

Presented Paper titled 'The Personal as Political: Self-Expression and Dissent in Contemporary Indian Women's Poetry' in UGC Sponsored National Seminar on Counter Cultures of Indian Women: From Myth to Contemporary Representations organised by Southfield College, Darjeeling in collaboration with Centre for Women's Studies, NBU in 2019

Participated in UGC DRS-II SAP-III Visiting Fellow Lecture titled 'King Lear and the Pursuit of Happiness' organised by Dept. of English and Culture Studies, University of Burdwan in 2022.

Attended 5-Days Workshop on Combating Violence Against Women and Girls for College/University Teachers organised by National Institute of Public Co-operation and Child Development, Regional Centre, Guwahati in collab. with Centre for Women's Studies, NBU in 2018.

Attended 5-Day Workshop on UGC Capacity Building of Women Managers in Higher Education organised by Darjeeling Govt College.

Attended Workshop on 'Restructuring the Under Graduate Syllabus Based on CBCS' organised by Council for UG Studies in Arts, Science and Law& Board of UG Studies, NBU.

Attended International Symposium on 'The Hill University and Prospects of Higher Education in Darjeeling' organised by Southfield College, Darjeeling.

Publications:

Ghissing, Mandira. "Negotiating Power within the Family Structure: Gender Roles and Relations in Mahesh Dattani's Plays." *Gender, Dimensions and Development*. Dipty Subba, editor. Amitesh Publishers and Company, 2021.

Profession:

Working as an Assistant Professor of English at A.P.C Roy Govt. College Siliguri since 21st September, 2022.

Teaching Experience:

- Worked as part-time faculty at Department of English, Kurseong College.
- Worked as part-time faculty at Department of English, Ghoom Jorebunglow Degree College,
 Darjeeling.
- Worked as Assistant Professor and Head at Department of English, Cluny Women's College,
 Kalimpong.
- Worked as Assistant Professor and Head at the Post-graduate Department of English,
 Darjeeling Government College.
- Currently working as Assistant Professor and Head of the Department of English, APCR Government College, Siliguri.
- Worked as Counselor at IGNOU

Administrative Experience:

- Served as Head of Department at Cluny Women's College, Darjeeling Government College and APCR Government College.
- Served as Convener of Hostel Management Committee at Darjeeling Government College

from 2015-2022.

- Served as Convener of PG Examination Committee at Darjeeling Government College.
- Served as member of the ICC at Darjeeling Government College.
- Served as member of IQAC, APCR Government College, Siliguri.
- Served as member of Cultural Committee, APCR Government College, Siliguri.

Research Experience:

Area of research interest include the literary and cultural heritage of the Himalayas and spatial literary studies. Currently pursuing research on the same from the University of Burdwan.