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Education:

2008: Ph. D. (Political Science) Centre for Political Studies,
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2003: M. Phil. (Political Science) Centre for Political Studies,
Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi
1999: M. A. (Political Science),
Kurukshetra University, Haryana
1996: B. A. (Political Science, History)
Satyabati College, Delhi University, Delhi

Professional Achievements:

2009-2013 (till January): Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Nambol L.
Sanoi College (Government of Manipur) Nambol, Manipur

2012: Selected as Fellow, Indian Institute of Advanced Study (IIAS), Shimla

2011 (June): Associated with Critical Global Humanities Institute, Brown University
International Advanced Research Institute (BIARI), Brown University, USA.

2011 (November): Associate, University Grants Commission (UGC) Inter University Centre
(IUC), Indian Institute of Advanced Study (IIAS), Shimla

2008: Research Associate, North East India Studies Programme, NEISP, Jawaharlal Nehru
University, Delhi

Completed Research Projects:

‘State, Development Schemes and Local Powers,’ funded by Indian Council of Social
Sciences, New Delhi

‘Politics of the Informal: Women Associational Life and the Public Space in the Hills of
Manipur,’ Partnership Project on ‘Making Women Count for Peace’, funded by Research
Council Norway and coordinated by Peace Research Institute Oslo, Norway

‘Extraction Economy and the Technology of Governance: A Study of Oil Explorations and
Public Resentment in Manipur,’ under the UPE-II Scheme, Jawaharlal Nehru University,
Delhi

Publications:

Books:

2023: (Co-edited with Rakhee Bhattacharya): *Capital and Ecology: Developmentalism, Subjectivity and the Alternative*, London: Routledge.

2021: *State Vs Society in Northeast India: History, Politics and the Everyday*, Delhi: Sage Publication.

2016: Co-edited with Lipokmar Dzuwichu, Manjeet Baruah, *Fixity and Fluidity: History, Politics and Culture of North East India*, North East India Studies Programme, Jawaharlal Nehru University & Indian Council of Social Science and Research.

Chapters in Book

2024: "Peoplehood and Populism: Being Political in Popular Politics," in J. Chacko Chennattuserry et al. (eds.), *Encyclopedia of New Populism and Responses in the 21st Century*, Springer Nature Singapore Pte Ltd, https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-16-9859-0_358-1

2023: "Capital, Subjectivities and Human/Non-human Responses." In Rakhee Bhattacharya and G. Amarjit Sharma, *Capital and Ecology: Developmentalism, Subjectivity and the Alternative Life-Worlds*, London and New York: Routledge, pp. 159-180. ISBN 9781032763927.

2021: 'Trajectory of 'Development' in a Resource Frontier,' in G. Amarjit Sharma (edited), *State Vs Society in Northeast India: History, Politics and the Everyday*, Delhi: Sage Publication, pp. 223-247. ISBN: 9789391370657

2020: 'Development Assistance in Conflict-Affected and Fragile Areas of India,' Renato Asa (editor), *Policy Research in Development Cooperation in Situation of Conflict and Fragility*, Published by CSO partnership for Development Effectiveness and IPMSDL with support from European Commission and Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency. (No ISBN)

2014: 'In pursuit of the cultural core at the margin of India', in *Critical Studies in Politics: Exploring Sites, Selves, Power*, edited by Aditya Nigam, Sanjay Palshikar, Nivedita Menon, Orient Blackswan: Delhi, pp. 184-225, ISBN: 9788125054481.

2014: 'Modernity of traditional polity in north east India', in D.V. Kumar (edt.), *Modernity and Ethnic Processes in India*, Jaipur: Rawat, pp 170-201. ISBN: 8131606392.

2015: 'Negotiating Tribal Identity amidst Ethnic Enclosures', in edited by L. Churchil and L. Henthoba, *Cultural Practices and Identity Politics in Manipur*, Delhi: Concept Publisher, pp. 3-17. ISBN: 9789351251439

Articles in Journal

2022: "Dialogue with the Self: Political Peace and the Making of 'Upland' Community," *Political Discourse*, 8(2), December 2022, pp. 143-160, DOI: 10.5958/2582-2691.2022.00011.6

2021: 'Peace as Modality of Power: Nationality, Supra-State Politics and Silencing of Women,' *Peace Prints: South Asian Journal of Peacebuilding*. Vol. 7, No. 1, Summer 2021, ISSN: 2582-7871.

2018: 'Politics of the Informal: Women's Associational Life and Public Space in the Hills of Manipur,' *Economic and Political Weekly*, February 24, 2018 Vol. LIII, No. 8, pp. 48-55. ISSN (Print) - 0012-9976

2014: "Restrictive Cultural Frames", *The Book Review*, Volume XXXVIII No. 7, July 2014. ISSN No. 0970-4175 (Print)

2012: 'Living as Tribe at the Interface of Ethnic Enclosures,' *The Eastern Anthropologist*, Vol. 64, No. 2, pp. 169-190. ISBN: 0012-8686

2011. 'Living Unofficially as Tribe in Hills of Manipur,' *The Oriental Anthropologist*, Vol. 11, No. 1, January-June, pp. 15-36. ISSN: 0972-558X (Print)

2010. 'Spaces of Ethnicity, Civil Society and Territoriality of Naga Tribes in Manipur,' *Man in India*, Vol. 90 (3-4), July-Dec, pp. 451-468. ISSN: 0025-1569 (Print)

2010 (co-authored). 'Religion and Society in 18th Century Manipur: Vaishnavism, Its Contact and Adjustment with Meitei Society,' *Journal of the Institute of Research in Social Sciences and Humanities*, Vol. 5, No. 2, July-December, pp. 147-168. ISSN: 2809-3356 (Print)

2010 (co-authored). 'Colonial Past, Nagas' Primordial Present in Manipur,' *Journal of History and Social Sciences*, Vol. II, Issue I. January-June. ISSN: 2229-5798

2011. 'Inside and Outside of Ethnic Enclosures: Khoibu as a Separate Tribe,' *Alternative Perspectives*, Vol. V, Special Issue, 11 March, pp. 5-17. ISSN: 2248-969X

2007. 'Tribal Autonomy: Politics of Exclusion & Inclusion,' *Eastern Quarterly*, Vol. 4, Issue 1, April-June, pp. 17-26. ISSN: 0975-4962

Selective Papers Presented in Seminar/Conference:

2008: 'Myths, Performance and Discursive Constitution of Hills and Valley Identities in Manipur', Asia Conference on Northeast India, organized by the Asia Borderland Research Networks (ABRN), IIT, Guwahati, January.

2009: 'Archaeological Excavation and Contested Meanings of Historic Fort in Urban Area of Manipur', 14th International Cultural Studies Workshop on Urban Cultures, organised by the Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta at North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong from February 1-6.

2009: 'City, State Archaeology and Contested Meanings of Historic Fort in Manipur', Weekly Seminar of the Department of Sociology, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi.

2009: 'The 18th Century Manipur: Vaishnavism, Its Contact and Adjustment with Meitei Society', National Seminar on 'Religion and Society in North East India since 18th Century to Contemporary Times', November 25-27, Department of History, North Eastern Hills University, Shillong, Meghalaya.

2010: 'In the Margin of Political Science: Understanding Political Life of People beyond State' in March, at the Indian Institute of Advanced Studies, IAS, Shimla, organised by the Study Group of the Critical Studies in Politics.

2010: 'Quest for Ritual Core, Sacretizing Centre of Ancient Polity of Manipur' in Social Sciences Research in North East India, February at JNU, organized by North East India Studies Programme, NEISP, JNU.

2010: 'Ritual Performance, Festive Public: In Pursuit of Ritual Core of Public Life in Manipur', March, International Conference on the Inter-cultural Dialogue between North East India and South East Asia, organized by IGNSA-NEISP, JNU.

2011: 'Beyond Legibility: State and Tribe in Northeast India' at ICSSR-NERC, Shillong, 17-18 March.

2011: 'Fear of State and Future of Freedom: Is living within state unsafe for mankind?', June, Brown University International Research Institute (BIARI), Brown University, USA.

2011: 'Power Subservient to Sacred: Invention of Core State and Political Community in Manipur', 19 November, IAS, Shimla

2011: 'Inclusion as ST and Rights of Tribes', National Seminar on Human Rights and Social Inclusion: Contemporary Concerns, 23-24 November 2011.

2011: 'Intellectual History of Contemporary Times: Reading N. Sanajaoba's *21st Century Manipur Puwari (History)*', 22 October, Maharaja Budhachandra College, Manipur.

2011: 'Relevance of Multiculturalism in Manipur', 20th December, Lecture at Orientation Course on 'Ethnicity and Multiculturalism', Academic Staff College, Manipur University.

2012: 'Modernity of Traditional Polity and Contemporary Ethnic Aspirations', National Seminar on 'Modernity and Ethnic Processes in India', 14-15 March, Sociology Department, North Eastern Hill University, Shillong.

2012: 'Bargaining Preferential Administrative Unit: Naga Irredentism and Naga People's Front (NPF)', National Seminar on 'Ethnic Politics, Democracy and Regional Political Parties in North East India', 17-18 March, Department of Political Science, Rajiv Gandhi University, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh in collaboration with Indian Institute of Advanced Studies, Shimla.

2013: 'Why Indigeneity Confronts Indigeneity?' at National Seminar on 'Interrogating Indigeneity, citizenship and state: perspectives from India's north east', 7-9 March, organised by Department of Sociology, Tezpur University, Assam.

2013: 'Fixing the nomad, Awakening as Nation', Workshop on *Fixity and fluidity: history, culture and politics in North East India*, 18-20 March 2013

2014: 'Beyond Kings, Priestly Powers: Mythical and Rebellious Women in 'Archaic' Literary Sources of Manipur', at National Seminar on Reinterpreting Historical Sources through Gender, organised by North Eastern Hills University, Shillong, 24-26 March

2014: 'Habitation of Exceptions: Politics of Governing Border and How People Respond', National Seminar organised by Indian Institute of Advanced Study, Shimla, 22-23 April 2014

2015: 'Cosmos and indigenous in the political life of the Meiteis', in National Seminar on *Figurations of India's Northeast: Cultures, Histories, Worldviews*, 19-20 February 2015 at Nehru Memorial Museum and Library, New Delhi

2015: 'Rights to Life and Group Rights: Recovering Right from the State-Civil Society Politics,' in the national seminar on 'Understanding North East India: Exception and Beyond,' 16-17 November 2015.

2016: 'Nation and Its "Other": Re-reading Nari Rustomji and the invention of Mongoloid Frontier,' in the conference on Race and Caste: Intercontinental Experiences' held on 24-26 February 2016, organized by Centre for Study of Discrimination and Exclusion, JNU

2017: 'Migration, Heartland, borderland and the Neoliberal Economy' in the National Seminar on Borderland migration, neo-liberal India, and borderland identity organized by Centre for North East Studies and Policy Research (CNESPR), Jamia Millia Islamia, 8 - 9 March

2017: 'Itihas and Puwari: Conversation on/of the History of Manipur and Historical Imagination,' in Seminar on Thinking History, Writing History: Asian experiences and Challenges, organised by Netaji Institute for Asian Studies in collaboration with Netaji Research Bureau, 13-14th April 2017.

2019: 'Imagining Southeast Asia from India's Northeast: Interrogating Spaces and Structure of Imagination' Two-Day National Seminar on 'Imagining Southeast Asia From Bengal and India's North-East: Methodological Explorations', organized by Department of Political Science, University of Kolkatta, 19-20 September.

2019: 'Digital North East Vision 2022: Connectivity, Inclusivity, and Transformation of India's 'Troubled Periphery'' Two-day seminar 'Media Infrastructure: Informalities and Marginalities,' on February 13-14, at O P Jindal Global University, Sonapat, Haryana.

2019: Human Rights: Perspectives from the India's North East," Lecture at the 14th 2 Week Refresher Course in Human Rights and Social Inclusion (Interdisciplinary), 2 August at Jamia Millia Islamia, Delhi

2020: 'The Idea of North East India: A Brief History of State, Democracy and Society in the Margin,' Lecture at Shivaji College, University of Delhi, November 07.

2022: "Region as Subject: Capital, Connectivity and Subjective Reality," Lecture at Centre for North East Studies and Policy Research, Jamia Millia Islamia (A Central University) New Delhi.