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Pursuing PhD from IIT-Delhi  
JRF-NET, M.Phil., MA, and BA (Hons.) in English from Delhi University

**College contributions:**

- Organized **theatrical performance** of Ismat Chughtai's famous story, *Bicchu Phupi* (Scorpion Aunt) in 2016 for all students in collaboration with Dr. Radha Chakravarty and Vikram Singh Thakur from Ambedkar University, Delhi.
- **Organized BA Programme Annual Fest, Epiphany**, titled "Beneath the Mask" on October 4, 2016, and arranged the **Panel Discussion** on the theme by Dr. Aruna Broota, Psychologist, Hypnotherapist and Alchemist; Prof. H.S. Prasad, Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Delhi; and, Dr. Anand Pradhan, Associate Professor, Indian Institute of Mass Communication. The Panel Discussion was chaired by Dr. Neera Pant, Associate Professor, Department of Applied Psychology, Gargi College.
- Organized a **lecture by Craig Brandist** (Director, Bakhtin Centre, University of Sheffield, UK) and Dr. Unnikrishnan P. (Associate Professor, Deshbandhu College, Delhi University) on how to develop theoretical paradigms for the study of novels using the corpus of Mikhail Bakhtin in 2016.
- Organized and coordinated **evening excursions to Shri Ram Centre for Performing Arts (SRCPA) and National School of Drama (NSD), Mandi House** for English Hons. students for the stage adaptation of Shakespeare's plays *Hamlet* and *Othello* in 2017.
- Organized and conducted **Remedial and Bridge Classes with Dr. Mudita Mohile** to enhance English language skills for students from Sciences and Humanities in 2017.
- Organized **BA Programme Annual Fest, Epiphany**, on the theme *Disputing Boundaries, Diluting Sites: Making Case for Empathy Around* in 2018.
- Organizing committee member for **National Multidisciplinary Conference on Emerging Trends in Tertiary Education: Assessing Challenges and Possibilities** in collaboration with the **Departments of BA Programme, Chemistry, English, Hindi and TEFSOL-INDIA in 2019.**
- Organized **ICT workshop for BA Programme students** to enable a smooth transition to the online classes due to the Covid pandemic in 2020.
- Represented **Gargi College in the cricket match** against Shaheed Bhagat Singh College and Sri Venkateswara College in 2021.
- Have been the **member of the extended committee of NAAC Steering Team** and organized, prepared and collated data for PowerPoint presentations for NAAC Criteria 5 which deals with Alumni outreach for two NAAC visits in 2016 and 2022.

- Have **conducted GE and SEC orientations** for the courses offered by the Department of English for all students in 2018 and 2019.
- Helped in **digitizing OSWAL SENA Library books** so that students have a ready-made catalogue before entering the library premises in 2019.
- **Weeded out books for OSWAL SENA Library** and arranged books in the almirah by classifying them according to genre, maintaining a record of books and selling books to students at a nominal price of Rs 20/- in November 2023.
- Organized the **field trip to Nainital**, Uttarakhand for all English Honors students and faculty members to acquaint them with the concept of personality development, leadership skills, ecological perspectives, and mental well-being following two years of online learning on January 6-8, 2023.
- Moderated session for the *National Conference on National Educational Policy 2020: Perspectives, Challenges and the Way Forward* organized on November 3-4, 2023.
- Moderated the **panel discussion for the Northeast Society**, Gargi College in which Bhargav Bhuyan (Entrepreneur) and Dr. Rituparna Patgiri (Sociologist) explored the significance and opportunities about the food cultures from Northeast India on November 21, 2023.

### **Kshitij**

Managing accounts and expenses for the costumes, props and trip logistics for the students; have conducted workshop with Kshitij students on voice modulation and street-play performance in 2017. Helping students to fill the NAAC Criteria 5 and maintaining log of the number of awards and outstanding performances they have given in various colleges and universities while representing Gargi College. Managing pink slips for students and mentoring them in case of an imbalance between their regular classes and Kshitij responsibilities. Have judged numerous street-play performances in Gargi College along with the convenor Dr. Chhaya Sawhney during the annual college fest, REVERIE.

### **Placement Cell**

Managing and mentoring placement drives for students from all streams, coordinating with company representatives and student representatives from the Placement Cell. Have been managing the placement drive with Accenture, Gurugram since September 2023. Organized Internship fairs for students which began from 2021 (online); have been sitting for interview selection of students for placement cell to assess their communication and networking skills; mentoring Placement Cell students when they face issues in dealing with other students who might not be aware of Placement Cell policies.

### **BA Programme**

**Played a major role in streamlining data for each student in BA Programme** including their admission, higher education, and placement records; helping with the subject-combinations to organize BA Programme students in a cohesive unit; organizing documentary screenings and cover page designing competitions for BA Programme students.

Organized panel discussion on the theme of “Alternate Realities” with faculty advisor, Dr. Shatarupa Sinha, and helped students to put together an in-house performance of a play titled “Jantar Mantar” directed by Dr. Hiranya Himkar in 2018. Organized editing workshop with Ms. Ankita Yadav, editor and TedX speaker, to

impart editing skills to students in 2018. Organized a talk on October 26, 2018, titled “About Fake News and Other Demons” by Mr. Uttaran Dasgupta, a New Delhi based Editor in Business Standard. Delivered a lecture on “Power and its Manifestation in Society” for BA Programme students in 2019.

**Conducted admissions and internal assessment for BA Programme students till 2020;** encouraged and have put BA Programme students into research mode which led them to win pathfinder and all-rounder awards in successive years; have organized their mentoring lists and conduct follow up on regular basis.

### **Quilluminati**

Organized the lecture on the theme of “Censorship” by renowned feminist and social worker, Ms. Kamala Bhasin with the faculty advisor, Ms. Pragya Gupta. Have served as internal judges for the Creative Writing Society's events ever since.

### **Department contributions:**

- Have been the member of the Department Library Committee and **made inventory of the books** required for the students and faculty members **as per the new syllabus introduced by National Education Policy 2020.**
- **Organized a poetry reading session** with faculty advisors Dr. Shatarupa Sinha and Dr. Anjana Neira Dev titled, “Reading Poetry: An Interaction with Sudeep Sen” was hosted on October 15, 2015, in the college Seminar Hall. Sudeep Sen, an eminent poet who has several volumes of poetry to his credit and the recipient of several prestigious awards for his poetry. The event witnessed a huge participation from the students and faculty of the college. Dr. Anjana Neira Dev chaired the session.
- Organized a one-day educational trip to **Fatehpur Sikri**, Uttar Pradesh, 223km from Delhi for all BA English Hons. students and faculty members in April 2015 to impart a historical understanding about Jalal ud-Din Muhammad Akbar and his first capital Fatehpur Sikri.
- Organized a one-day picnic to **Pratapgarh Farms**, Jhajjar, Haryana, 55 km from Delhi for all BA English Hons. students and faculty members in 2016 to acquaint students with the rustic environment and cultivate a close contact with nature.
- Organized the **Department Fest, Literati, with the faculty advisor, Dr. Shatarupa Sinha** on the theme, “(Re)Imagining the ‘Literary’: The Aesthetics and Politics of Folktales” in March 2016. The **Panel Discussion** had Dr. Gitanjali Chawla, Associate Professor, Department of English, Maharaja Agrasen College, Ms. Arunima Das, Assistant Professor, Department of English, Gargi College, Dr. Sangeeta Dutta, Archivist at Archives and Research Centre for Ethnomusicology, AIIS, and Mr. Shankhajeet De, Filmmaker and Independent Researcher, as our distinguished panelists. Ms. Nzanmongi Patton moderated the session.
- **Organized National Seminar and Literary Festival**, titled “Commemorations, Legacies, Afterlives: Four Hundred Years of Shakespeare and Cervantes” (January 17-19, 2017)” with faculty advisor Dr. Aneeta Rajendran and invited eminent speakers like Professors Shirshendu Chakrabarti, Sumanyu Sathpathy, and Soumyabrata Choudhury from Delhi University and Jawaharlal Nehru University in

2017. **Helped to produce in-house work** in the form of **subtitles for a Malayalam film** adaptation (*Kaliyattam*) of Shakespeare's *Othello*, single-handedly and sensitively rendered by a third year Honors student, Ms. Shyama Sadasivan.

- Organized a two-day educational trip for all students and faculty members to **Keoladeo National Park** formerly known as Bharatpur Bird Sanctuary, Rajasthan in October 2018 to inculcate an understanding about the **colonial exploitation in the form of hunting birds** and the rarity of the place which serves as a breeding and feeding ground for many endangered birds in India.
- Organized **poetry workshops** with Mr. Aditya Bahl for BA English Hons. students to impart necessary skills to appreciate poetry in both critical and creative ways in 2019, as it overlaps directly with my area of research.
- **Prepared Orientation slides for 1<sup>st</sup> year students** since pandemic necessitated the closure of college premises; have been doing this activity since 2020.
- **Created dedicated Google forms for Alumni students** and collated their data regarding higher education and placement for NAAC Criteria 5 in 2022.
- **Organized and maintained Minutes of Meeting 2020-2023** for the Department of English in both online and offline ways.
- Have been **doing Department admissions since 2020 in both online and offline ways** for **BA Hons. and MA in English** and extended help regarding the **physical verification** of the admission forms. Also, have been stepping in to help with BA Programme since 2020.
- Have been doing **Result Analysis** for the Department of English since 2016.
- Created online attendance forms, online Excel sheets, Google classrooms, and sufficient Google drives/ICT skills for online assignments to let the Department of English make the shift from offline to online study in 2020–2021 and then back to offline learning in 2022.
- **Mapped faculty members** according to VAC, GE, and SEC papers for the smooth conduct of practical exams 2022-2023.

### **Faculty Development Programs (FDPs)/ Courses:**

- Completed One Week (Online) Interdisciplinary Faculty Development Programme on “Historiography and Research Methodology” organized by Department of History, Hansraj College in collaboration with Mahatma Hansraj Faculty Development Centre: A Centre of MoE, Govt. of India Under Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya National Mission on Teachers and Teaching (PMMMNTT), 19-24 April 2021.
- Completed the 6th SPARC Course on “Inhabiting a Globalized World: Concepts, Theories, Critical Perspectives,” offered by Prof. Isabel Karremann, Department of English, University of Zurich from 7th to 29th July 2021 and organized by Department of English, Jamia Milia Islamia, New Delhi in collaboration with the Department of English and American Studies, Department of Wurzburg, Germany.

- Completed a Four Week Two Credit Online Certificate Course in Disability Studies, organized by IQAC, Kirori Mal College, in collaboration with the Saksham Trust, from February 22 to March 19, 2021.
- Completed One Week interdisciplinary (Online) Faculty Development Programme on “National Education Policy 2020: Implementation and Challenges” organized by Mahatma Hansraj Faculty Development Centre, Hansraj College during 6<sup>th</sup>— 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2021.
- Completed One Day Online National Webinar entitled “The Importance of Data Visualization” organized by Guru Angad Dev Teaching Learning Centre, SGTB Khalsa College, University of Delhi under the Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya National Mission on Teachers and Teaching (PMMMNTT) of Ministry of Education on 10th August 2021.

### **Conferences:**

- Participated in the two-day National Conference on “National Education Policy 2020: Perspectives, Challenges and Way Forward” organized by Gargi College, 3-4 November 2023. Also Moderated paper presentation sessions titled “A Philosophical Perspective of the Holistic Practice of Teaching and Learning” and “Sports, Women and Physical Education” on 4th November 2023.
- Participated in the two-day National Conference on “Revisiting Well-Being: Perspectives, Challenges, and the Road Ahead” organized by Gargi College, 1-2 February 2023.
- Presented in the Pacific Ancient and Modern Language Association (PAMLA) Annual Conference in Portland, Oregon, United States of America, 25-29 October 2023.
- Presented in the Northeast Modern Language Association (NeMLA) Annual Conference in Niagara Falls, New York, United States of America, 23-26 March 2023.
- Participated in one day National Webinar on “The Importance of Data Visualization” organized by Guru Angad Dev Teaching Learning Centre, SGTB Khalsa College, University of Delhi under the Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya National Mission on Teachers and Teaching (PMMMNTT) of Ministry of Education on 10 August 2021.
- Attended the Post-theory workshop organized by the Post Graduate Department of English, Sri C Achutha Menon Government College, Thrissur, Kerala from 28 June to 2 July, 2021.
- Attended the webinar, “The Left reflects on Global Pandemic: Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak” organized by Transform Europe!, Gusshausstrasse 14/3, Vienna, Austria on 7 May, 2020.
- Attended the Book Release of Neyaz Farooque’s ‘An Ordinary Man’s Guide to Radicalism’ and the author’s conversation with Zoya Hasan, Professor Emerita, Jamia Millia Islamia University, Siddharth Varadarajan, Founding Editor, The WIRE and Dushyant Dave, Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India in Indian International Centre, Lodhi Road, New Delhi on 11 April 2018
- Attended the ILF Samanvay Translation Series-2018 during which Ngugi wa Thiong’o, Distinguished Professor of English and Comparative Literature at the University of California, Irvine discussed the main kernels of postcolonialism and the difficulties of translation with Githa Hariharan, Commonwealth Writers' Prize winner on 23 February 2018
- Attended the short-term GIAN course on ‘Truth, Knowledge and Capitalism in the Anthropocene’ organized by Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi from 12-23 February 2018

- Attended the symposium on ‘The Humanities and the University’ organized by the Centre for English Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University on 8 November 2017
- Attended the symposium on Orhan Pamuk’s works titled ‘The Fictional Museum: Collecting and Curating’ by Dr. Pallavi Narayan, National University of Singapore in Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi on 26 October 2017
- Attended the Three-Day International Conference ‘World Literature: Postcolonial Perspectives’ organized by the Department of English, University of Delhi on 15-17 March 2018
- Attended the Two-Day International Conference ‘The Present of the Day: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on the Contemporary Times’ organized by The Humanities and Social Sciences Department, Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi on 22-23 January 2018
- Attended the workshop on ‘Melancholy, Philosophy, Literature’ organized by the Centre for English Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University on 3 March 2017
- Attended Workshop on H-Index organized for the faculty of Humanities, Arts and Sciences by Gargi College Library, University of Delhi on 9 March 2017
- Participated in the NAAC sponsored national Seminar titled ‘Mentoring the Teacher- Mentors: Capacity Building Programme’ organized by the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Gargi College, University of Delhi on 19-20 January 2018
- Presented in the 17th International MELOW Conference on Space, Place and Landscape in Literature of the World by the Department of English & European Languages, Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Dharamshala on 9-11 March 2018
- Presented in the International Annual Conference on Mapping India in the Eighteenth Century: Transformations and Transitions held on 6-7 March 2017
- Presented in the Third Research Scholar’s Seminar on ‘State and Development in Contemporary India’ organized by the Centre of Jawaharlal Nehru Studies, Jamia Millia Islamia University, New Delhi on 29 March 2017
- Presented in the Two-Day International Conference on Dr. B. R. Ambedkar’s perspective on State, Society and Economy: Revisiting his Vision and Mission (University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad) held on 22-23 February 2017
- Attended the symposium on ‘A Return to Conrad: A Day on His Thought and Work’ organized by the Centre for English Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University on 3 Nov. 2017