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Education

- 2009-2014** PhD in Sociology in University of Edinburgh on *Nurturing Resistance: Agency and Activism of Women Tea Plantation Workers in Plantation Spaces*
- 2006-2008** MA in Political Science with **first class** from University of Calcutta. Ranked second in Political Science from University of Calcutta.
- 2003-2006** BA in Political Science with **first class** from Presidency College (now University). Ranked second in Political Science from University of Calcutta.

Work Experience

- December 2014-present** Assistant-Professor in the Institute of Development Studies, Kolkata
- August 2015-present** Guest Faculty at University of Calcutta, Political Science Department
- January 2017-April 2017** Guest Faculty at Indian Institute of Social Welfare and Business Management in Masters of Social Work.
- January- May 2015** Guest faculty at Presidency University, Department of Sociology
- June-December 2014** Post-doctoral Fellow at Institute of Development Studies on ICSSR project “Trade Union and Collective Bargaining: A Case Study of West Bengal”

Research Projects

- 2016-18** Co-Principal Investigator in Indian Council of Social Science Research sponsored project on **Re-Conceptualizing Domestic Violence: Shifting Discourse within the Women’s Movement in India**
- 2016** Co-Principal Investigator in Council for Social Development sponsored project on **Status of Girls with Disabilities in India**
- 2017** Co-Principal Investigator in Morrell Trust Fund, York University, UK on **Inequality, Injustice and Exploitation: The different blends in Assam Tea**

Published and Forthcoming Articles, Book Chapters and Book reviews

- Forthcoming “Nationalism of Exclusion: Goumata and her unholy children” in Supurna Banerjee and Nandini Ghosh (ed) *Caste and Gender in Contemporary India: Power, Privilege and Politics*, Routledge India.

- Forthcoming Edited collection of essays *Caste and Gender in Contemporary India: Power, Privilege and Politics*, Routledge India, (co-edited with Nandini Ghosh).
- May 2017 *Activism and Agency in India: Nurturing Resistance in the Tea Plantations*, Routledge Edinburgh South Asia series.
- March 2017 “Judicial intervention and industrial relations: exploring industrial dispute cases in West Bengal, India”, *Industrial Law Journal* 46(1).
- December 2016 “Girls with Disabilities in India: Living Contradictions of Care and Negation”, *Social Development Report*. Oxford University Press: New Delhi. (Co-authored with Dr. Nandini Ghosh).
- Accepted “Too Much or Too Little? Paradoxes of Disability and Care Work in India” in *Review of Disability Studies*. (Co-authored with Dr. Nandini Ghosh).
- December 2015 “We are still junglis to them: institutionalising marginalities among the Adivasis in Dooars” in edited collection on *Institutionalising Marginal Actors in South Asia: Processes, Policies, Practices and Pitfalls* edited by Hugo Gorringer, Roger Jeffery and Suryakant Waghmore, Sage Publications.
- September 2015 Book Review of ‘Fieldwork in South Asia: Memories, Moments and Experiences’ in *Oral History* 43(2).
- April 2015 "Intersectionality and Spaces of Belonging: Understanding the Tea Plantation Workers in Dooars", *Occasional Paper* 46, Institute of Development Studies Kolkata.

Conference papers

- May 2017 “While it is Glamorous on the Outside, It is Actually Hard Work: Narratives of Migrant Workers in Beauty Industry in India” in *3rd World Conference on Women’s Studies Building Resilience: Dialogue, Collaboration and Partnerships across Our Differences* in Colombo, Sri Lanka.
- May 2017 “‘you have such a good figure, you are so stylish, you will easily get work in the beauty industry’: narratives of skill and gendered labour among migrant beauty worker’, invited talk in Centre for Women Studies, Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata.
- March 2017 “‘Our fingers are softer they do not damage the bushes’: Understanding Gendered Labour through Practices and Challenges” in National conference on Sustenance and Development in the Tea Gardens of Northeast and North Bengal organised in Jadavpur University.
- February 2017 Co-convenor with Gorky Chakraborty on ICSSR sponsored National Seminar on “On Borders and On Borderlands: Negotiating the ‘Margins’ under Globalization” organised in IDSK, Kolkata.
- February 2016 Co-convenor for Indian Council for Social Science Research sponsored National Conference on “Examining Intersections: Caste/Gender Narratives in India”

- January 2016 “‘Some work are meant for the men and some for women:’ Changing faces of gendered labour through narratives of women from the plantations of Dooars” in *Redefining Labour Roles in a Globalizing India*, Institute of Economic Growth, Delhi.
- November 2015 “ ‘Everything is different there’: mapping changing perspectives of gendered labour among the migrant women of the tea plantations of Dooars” in *Labour (Un)Divided: Categories and Collectivities* organised by School of Women Studies, Jadavpur University
- November 2015 “Labour, Capital and (Dis)trust: Case Studies from West Bengal” in Economic Sociology conference on *Trust in Transactions*, Institute of Development Studies Kolkata.
- February 2015 Invited for Summer Academy workshop “Work in Post-slavery Societies; Gender and Generations’ organised by IGK Work and Human Life Cycle in Global History, Humboldt University and University Cheikh Anta Diop Dakar, Senegal in Dakar, Senegal.
- December 2014 “Judicial intervention and industrial relations: exploring industrial disputes cases in West Bengal” in panel presentation in Indian Study of Labour Economics annual conference in BITS, Meshra.
- April 2014 “‘Write about our struggles too’: Conducting inter-personal social research with women” invited talk in Ambedkar University Delhi.
- April 2014 “‘I can survive’: (Re)interrogating Victimhood”, invited talk in Centre for Women Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University Delhi.
- March 2014 “‘We are women, how will we have such brute strength?’ Gendered Space and ‘natural’ labour in tea plantations” invited talk in Centre for Women’s Development Studies Delhi.
 “How long can we keep quiet while we see our children going hungry”: understanding everyday politics among tea plantation women in Dooars in seminar on *Gender, Society and Politics* organised by Council for Political Studies and Rabindra Bharati University Women’s Studies Centre in Kolkata.
- February 2014 “‘We were not getting our rights and facilities at the right time’: Understanding everyday activism among the women workers of Dooars tea plantation.” in XIV National Conference on Women’s Studies on Equality, Pluralism and the State: Perspectives from the Women’s Movement organized by the Indian Association of Women Studies in Guwahati University.