

Curriculum Vitae

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Objective: Acquiring knowledge and skills to understand analyze and change the existential realities for the betterment of humankind

Education: Ph.D. in Economics from Dibrugarh University, Dibrugarh, Assam, India
M.A. in Economics from Dibrugarh University, Dibrugarh, Assam, India

Occupation: Associate Professor of Economics,
Institute of Development Studies Kolkata (IDSK), Kolkata

Work Profile:

- Faculty Member, Land Reforms Unit, LalBahadurShstriNationalAcademy of Administration, Mussoorie (June 1994- June 1996)
- Lecturer of Economics, DHSKCollege, Dibrugarh, Assam (October 1996- March 1997)
- Rajiv Gandhi Short Term Research Fellow, OKD Institute of Social Change and Development, Guwahati, Assam (1997-1998)
- Lecturer of Economics, Pronobanando Women's College, Dimapur, Nagaland (August 1997-July1998)
- Lecturer of Economics, DoomDooma College, Dist: Tinsukia, Assam (November 1998- 2010)
- Monitor-cum-Evaluator for Council for Advancement of People's Research and Rural Technology CAPART, NE Zone, Guwahati (February 2002-2005)
- UGC-Teacher-Fellow, Department of Economics, Dibrugarh University, Dibrugarh, Assam (July 2004-July 2006)
- Post-doctoral Fellow, Rabindranath Tagore Center for Human Development Studies, Institute of Development Studies Kolkata, Kolkata (July2010-July2011)

Summary of Experience:

- Teaches Economics at various levels
- Research and Field Bsaed Activities on Issues concerning Land, Livelihood Patterns, Agricultural Diversification and Socio-economic Issues
- Prepared Background Paper for survey concerning Issues related to Land Reforms, Rights and Tribal Affairs at LBSNAA, Mussoorie
- Monitored IAS Probationers for All India Survey concerning Land Relations and Socio-economic Issues in India at LBSNAA, Mussoorie
- Prepared Data Base for village clusters on behalf of Village Study Unit, LBSNAA, Mussoorie
- Drafted All India Reports concerning Land Reforms, Land Records, GovernmentLand and Tribal Affairs for Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India
- Student Counselor for Socio-economic studies

Fellowship:

- *Rajiv Gandhi Short Term Research Fellowship* awarded by Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), 1998

- *Teacher Fellowship* awarded by University Grants Commission (UGC), 2004-2006
- *Post-doctoral Fellowship* at Rabindranath Tagore Center for Human Development Studies, Institute of Development Studies Kolkata (IDSK), July 2010- July 2011

Dissertation & Thesis:

- *Socio-economic Study Of Assam: A Profile Of A Periphery* (Mussoorie: Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration, 1995)
- *Floriculture in Assam: Trends, Perspective and Shifts* (Guwahati: O.K.D. Institute of Social Change, 1998)
- *An Economic Analysis of the Development of the Char Areas (River Islands) in Assam*, an Unpublished Ph.D Thesis at Department of Economics, Dibrugarh University, Dibrugarh, Assam, 2007
- *Encountering Globalization in the Hill Areas of North East India*, Occasional Paper No 23, Institute of Development Studies Kolkata (IDSK), Kolkata, 2010

Book:

- *Assam's Hinterland :Society and Economy in the Char Areas*, Akansha Publishing House, 2009, ISBN 978-81-8370-188-4

Publication:

- Withering of Community Resources, *Man & Development*, Vol XIX, No.1, March 1997, pp134-48, ISSN 0258-0438
- Land Relations in Tripura, *Man & Development*, Vol XXI, No.3, September 1999, pp31-45, ISSN 0258-0438
- Where Flowers Degenerate, Man Cannot Live, *Journal of North-East India Council for Social Science Research*, 2001, Vol.24, No.1, pp8-10, ISSN:0970-7913
- Tenancy Reforms in Manipur: Past, Present and the Task Ahead, *Journal of North-East India Council for Social Science Research*, 2001, Vol.25, No.1, ISSN:0970-7913
- Floriculture In Assam: Problems, Prospect And The Task Ahead, *Assam Economic Journal*, 2002, Vol. XV, pp96-109, ISSN 0976-7530
- Secular Thoughts and Communal Practices, *Journal of History, Jadavpur University*, 2003, Volume XX, pp73-85
- Entrepreneurial Analysis: Existential Reality And The Need For A Paradigm Shift, *Journal of North-East India Council for Social Science Research*, 2003, Vol.27, No.1, ISSN:0970-7913
- Watershed Management: A Micro-study of Merbil-Kenduguri Watershed Project, *Assam Economic Journal*, 2003, Vol. XVI, pp102-10, ISSN 0976-7530
- Socio-Economic Profile of Assam, in Ashokvardhan, C., (ed.), *Socio-Economic Profile Of Rural India* (New Delhi: Concept, 2004)
- Employment Trends in the Era of Globalization, *Assam Economic Journal*, 2004, Vol. XVII, pp143-53 ISSN 0976-7530

- Emergence of Entrepreneurship in Assam: A Note in History *Social Change and Development*, March 2004, Vol.2, No.1, pp179-90,
- Peoples' Participation in Rural Development in North East India, in Das, Gurudas, *et.al.*(eds.), *Dimensions Of Rural Development in North-East India* (New Delhi: Akansha, 2004), pp67-81, ISBN 81-87606-23-1
- Informal Credit or State's Discredit: The Saga of *Char* Areas in Assam, in Gogoi, Jayanta, Kumar, *Rural Indebtedness in North East India* (Dibrugarh: DibrugarhUniversity, 2004)
- Education in North East: Some Unpopular Thoughts, in Lyndem, Biloris, *et.al.*(eds.), *Education In North East India: Experience and Challenges* (New Delhi: Concept, 2004), pp140-65, ISBN 81-8069-063-6
- Water, Watershed and Community Participation: A Micro-study of Merbil-Kenduguri Project, in Satapathy, K.N. *et.al.*(eds.), *Watershed Management: Social and Institutional Issues In North East India*(Umiam: Indian Council of Agricultural Research, 2004)
- Bamboo Cultivation in North East India: The Transformation From Aesthetics To Industry, *Assam Economic Journal*, 2005, Vol. XVII, pp97-110, ISSN 0976-7530
- Agriculture in *Char* Areas of Assam: Past, Present and the Task Ahead, in *Socio-Economic Life of the Char People, Assam* (Barpeta: CAWSSER, 2005)
- Development Issues and Security Concerns: The Search Within, Agnihotri, S.K. *et.al.*(eds.), *Perspective of Security & Development in North-East India* (New Delhi: Concept, 2005), pp177-97, ISBN:81-8069-165-9
- Structural Change and Resource-Industry Linkage in Mizoram: Some Issues to Ponder, Das, Gurudas, (ed.), *Structural Change and Strategy ofDevelopment: Resource-Industry Linkage in North-East India* (New Delhi: Akansha, 2005)
- Development Initiatives and Environment Protection: An Analysis of the Issues Concerning the RiverIslands in Assam, in Kawadia, Ganesh, *et. al.*(eds.) *Environmental Issues of Development* (AmbalaCantt.: The Associated Publishers, 2006)
- Surplus of Food or Hunger-An Analytical Note on Food Security in India and its North-East, Basu, Debashis, *et.al.*(eds.), *Agriculture, Food Security, Nutrition and Health in North-East India* (New Delhi: Mittal, 2006), pp57-80, ISBN 81-7099-975-8
- The Entrepreneurial Question in Assam: A Historical Analysis, Passah, P. M., (ed.), *In Defence of Regional Economic Development in India* (New Delhi: Akansha, 2006), pp219-34, ISBN 81-8370-046-2
- Roots of Urban Poverty: A Note on Transformation of Entitlement Relationship, Datta Ray, B., *et.al.*(eds.), *Informality And Poverty: Urban Landscape Of India's North-East* (New Delhi: Akansha, 2006), pp180-92, ISBN 81-8370-044-6
- Agriculture in Assam: Emerging Micro Trends, in Deb, B.J., *et.al.*(eds.), *Changing Agricultural Scenario In North East India* (New Delhi: Concept, 2006)
- Conflict of Contours: The Changing Power Structure in Traditional Tribal Societies of North East India, in Ray, Asok, *Dynamics of Power Relations in Tribal Societies of North East India* (New Delhi: Om Publications, 2006), pp67-90, ISBN:81-86867-93-7

- Secular Thoughts and Communal Practices in India and its North-East, in Deb, B.J.,(ed.), *Ethnic Issues, Secularism and Conflict Resolution in North East India* (New Delhi: Concept, 2006),ISBN 81-8069-134-9
- Human Development and Inhuman Growth, in Chakraborty, Kiran, Shankar, *et.al.*(eds.), *Human Development: Experiences Of North-East India* (New Delhi: Akansha, 2007), ISBN 81-8370-039-X
- Contours of Terror in the Age of Globalization, in Ray, Asok, *Terrorism and Peace Initiatives in North East India* (New Delhi: Om Publications, 2007), pp39-68, ISBN 81-86867-99-6
- Environmental Degradation and Poverty: The Intricate Linkage in the Char Areas of Assam', in Konar, D &Chakrabarti, S, (eds.), *Development Issues of North East India* (New Delhi: Akansha Publishing House, 2008), ISBN:978-81-8370-116-7
- Land Administration in the Char Areas of Assam: The Task Ahead, in Ray, Asok&Chakraborti, Satyabrata, *Society, Politics and Development in the North East: Essays in Honor of Dr. BasudebDatta Ray* (New Delhi: Concept, 2008), ISBN 81-8069-572-7
- Economic Policy and the North East: Looking Beyond Neo-classical Praxis, in Deb, B.J. *et. al.*, (eds.) *Globalization and North East* (New Delhi: Concept, 2008), ISBN81-8069-510-7
- Victims of 'Suspicious' Identity: The Char Dwellers of Assam, *Journal of North-East India Council for Social Science Research*, 2008, Vol.32, No.1, ISSN:0970-7913
- Land and Identity Formation: A Narrative on the Farm-settlers in the Char Areas of Assam, in Sarma, Chandan, Kumar, (eds.), *North East India History Association Souvenir, 29th Annual Session*, Dibrugarh University, 2008
- Peasants, Politics and Perceptions: A Discourse on 'Bhasani' and His Mobilization in Colonial Assam, in *Journal of Historical Research*, 2008, Vol. XVI, pp89-101
- An Evaluation on Reproductive Child Health of Tribals: A Case Study of Nityadaspur and Kalinganagar Village Council under Mandai Block, West Tripura, in Chatterjee, Rajesh, *et.al.*, (eds.), *Development Paradigms and Bottom-Up Approaches* (Delhi: Abhijeet Publications, 2009), pp267-87, ISBN 978-93-80031-08-8
- Distortion of Natural Watersheds and Land Erosion: The Char Areas of Assam, *SIBCOLTEJO*, 2010, Vol. 5, ISSN:0975-9867
- Victims of Suspicious Identity: The Char Dwellers of Assam, in Deb, B,J, (ed.) *Population and Development in North East India* (New Delhi: Concept, 2010), pp219-28 ISBN:81-8069-688-X
- Cropping Pattern, Productivity and Issues in Sustainability in the Char Areas of Assam, in Jain, P, K, *et.al.*(eds.), *Sustainable Food Security* (New Delhi: Mittal Publications, 2010)

Paper Presented at Seminars & Conference since 2003:

- "Power Generation Management for Global Challenges" at *International Conference on Power & Energy* held at Delhi October 15-17, 2003
- "Rural Indebtedness in Assam" at National Seminar on *Rural Indebtedness and Poverty in North East India*, organized by UGC &Dibrugarh University, September, 2003

- “Agriculture in *Char* Areas of Assam” at International Seminar on *Life and Livelihood of the River People*, Barpeta, Assam, January, 2004
- “Roots of Urban Poverty” at a National Seminar on *Informality and Urban Poverty*, organized by NEICSSR, Shillong, India, June 2004
- “Globalizing Employment: A Dystopic Utopia (!)” at a National Seminar on *Educated Youth and Problems of Unemployment in Assam*, organized by DCB Girls College, Jorhat and Sponsored by ICSSR, September, 2004
- “Agricultural Diversification In Assam” at a National Seminar on *Changing Agricultural Scenario in North East India*, organized by NEICSSR, Shillong, India, December 2004
- “Conflict of Contours and the Changing Power Structure Among the Tribals of North East India” at a National Seminar on *Changing Power Structure Among The Tribal Societies In North East India*, organized by NEICSSR, Shillong, India, December 2004
- “Development Initiatives and Environmental Concerns” at International Seminar on *Growth Strategy and Environmental Issues* at DeviAhilyaUniversity, Indore, November 2005
- “Contours of Terror” National Seminar on *Terrorism, Human Rights and Peace Initiatives* Organized by NEICSSR, Shillong, December 2005
- “Issues in Socio-economic Differentiation in Tribal Societies” in *Tribal Demography* organized by UGC & Dibrugarh University, March 2006
- “Poverty, Development and Environmental Degradation” at Ninth Biennial Conference of ISEE titled *Ecological Sustainability & Human Well-Being*, New Delhi, December 2006
- “From Eco-systems To Agro-system: The Unfolding History in the *Char* Areas of Assam” at a National Seminar on *Ecology and Environment in North East India: Past and Present*, organized by Department of History, Dibrugarh University and Sponsored by Indian Council of Historical Research, New Delhi, March, 2007
- “Looking Beyond Neo-classical Praxis” in National Seminar on *New Economic Policies and Globalization* at Shillong, June 2007
- “Transforming Wastelands into Politico-economic Watersheds” at National Seminar on *Freedom Movement in North East India* at Shillong, December 2007
- “Distortion of Natural Watersheds and Land Erosion”, at National Conference on *Water Harvesting* at North East India Institute of Science & Technology, Nharlagun, Arunachal Pradesh, India, February 2008
- “Land Relations Among The Hill Tribes” at National Seminar on *Tribal Demography* organized by UGC & DRS-SAP, Dibrugarh University, March 2008
- “Interplay of Economic Imperatives & Environmental Degradation in the Mid-channel Bars in Assam” at National Seminar on *Environmental Issues in North East India: Past, Present and Challenges Ahead*, organized by ONGC, Nazira and Gorgaon College, Simulguri, Assam May 2008

- “Deconstructing Identities: Ethnic History vis-à-vis Composite History at a Seminar on *Composite History of North East India and Peace Process*, at Institute of Tai Studies, Moranhat sponsored by Northeast Social Research Centre, Guwahati, September 2008
- “Understanding Politico-ethnic Space: Security, Development & Identity in North East India” at National Seminar on *Dymension of Myanmar-Bangladesh Connection with Conflict Situation in North East India*, organized by Department of Political Science and sponsored by NEC and ICSSR, September 2008
- “Issues Related with Bio-diversity in the River Island of Assam” at a National Seminar on *Recent Trends in Biodiversity: Expolitation, Conservation and Management*, at GargaonCollege, Simalaguri, sponsored by UGC, New Delhi, November 2008
- “Agricultural Practices in the *Char* Areas of Assam” at a Regional Workshop on *Food Security and Sustainable Agriculture Development*, at IGNOU Agartala sponsored by IGNOU New Delhi, November 2008
- “Synergizing Power Generation & Economic Growth: The Indian Scenario” at International Seminar on *Critical Areas of Ensuring Energy Security*, organized by St.Francis College for Women, St.Mary’s College & Osmania University, Hyderabad, December, 2008
- “Encountering Globalization: Issues Concerning the Tribal Areas of North East India” at National Seminar on *Encountering Globalization: Tribal Communities in India and Development Issues*, organized by Arunachal Institute for Tribal Studies, Rajiv Gandhi University, Itanagar, February, 2009
- “Analyzing Social Exclusion: The *Char* Dwellers of Assam” at National Seminar on Social Exclusion and Conflict in North East India organized by ICSSR at Institute of Tai Studies & Research, Moranhat, Assam, 8-9 January, 2011
- “The Wastelands: Colonial Construction and Post-colonial Ramifications” at seminar on *Politico-Historical and Socio-Cultural Constructs of North East India: Continuity and Change*” organized by Asiatic Society and Gauhati University at Guwahati, 9-10 March, 2011
- Participated as Resource Person at the workshop on “*The Studies on North-East India*” organized by Asiatic Society, Kolkata, 29th March-1st April, 2011
- “Understanding Social Exclusion: The *Char* Dwellers of Assam” at National Seminar on *Social Exclusion and Inclusive Development in North East India: Challenges and Opportunities* organized by North Gauhati College, Guwahati, 10-11 June, 2011

Language Proficiency:

Can speak, read and write Assamese, Bengali, English and Hindi

On-going Projects:

- Reception of Rabindranath Tagore in North East India sponsored by R.N. Tagore Center for Human Development Studies (IDSK), Kolkata
- Translating Rabindranath Tagore’s *CheleBela*(My Boyhood Days) in the languages of North East Indiasponsored by R.N. Tagore Center for Human Development Studies (IDSK), Kolkata
- Eco-Systems for Life- A India-Bangladesh Initiative for assessing the Environmental Security in the *char* Areas of the Ganges in West Bengal sponsored by International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) Asia, Bangkok