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Education Qualifications and Present Job:

Currently I am working as an Acting Director and Professor at Centre for Social Studies (CSS), Surat. I have been holding this post as an acting and regular director since October 2013 onwards. I have been working with CSS since last 30 years. I did Ph.D. in Sociology from South Gujarat University, Surat, my topic of Ph.D. thesis was on "A Study on Tribal Forest Labour Co-operative Societies of Gujarat" in 1993. I did Master in Social Work (M.S.W.) from Nirmala Niketan, College of Social Work, University of Bombay in the year 1984. I did B.Com. (bechalor of Commerce) Arts and Commerce College, Vyara, affiliated to South Gujarat University, Surat in the year 1982.

Areas of Specializations:

Governance with reference to marginalised communities, ethnic identity, tribal development and rural sociology. I have Completed 14 research projects and published more than 50 articles in peer reviewed journals on tribal development, forest policy, tribal land rights, local governance and its leadership and Gandhian Organisation and rural development. I am also a joint author of the books on *Gandhian NGOs and Social Change* and *Empowerment of Panchayati raj Members of Social Justice Committee in Gujarat.* Currently I am working on social and Political history of Dangs after independence and Tribal Development in Gujarat. I have presented several research papers in national and international seminars. I had worked as a Consultant with OXFAM (India) Trust's Violence Mitigation and Amelioration Project (VMAP); and also trustee of the Aman Public Charitable Trust, Delhi. I am also engaged in conducting action research on caste and social resources and also engaged in imparting training to elected representatives of local governance.

Courses Taught:

Though my job is of a full time researcher, however I taught following courses as a capacity of visiting faculty:

- Taught three credits course on tribal society and rural development for three years (during 2014-2016) to the Post Graduate students of Mahatma Gandhi Department of Rural Studies, Veer Narmad south Gujarat University, Surat.
- 2. Taught four credits course on Social Advocacy and Social Policy for six years (during 2006 to 2011) to the students of post graduate diploma in Rural and Non-government Organizations Management, Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India, Ahmedabad.
- 3. From 2007 onward I have been teaching two credits course on Development Theories and Good Governance to the post graduate student of Social Work, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat.
- 4. I worked as a supervisor for one M.Phil and two Ph.D. students so far.

Presented Papers in International and national seminar:

Since last 30 years of my academic career I have presented more than 10 papers in International conferences in India as well as abroad. Around 65 papers I have been presented in a national level conferences in India organized by various universities and research institute of India.

Major Publications:

Articles in English

"Research Institutes in Social Science" (with Sadan Jha), in a book on 'Social Science Research in India: Status, Issues, and Policies', by Sukhadeo Thorat and Samar Verma, Oxford University Press, New Delhi, 2017.

"Tribes, Land and Forests: Emerging Legal Implications with reference to PESA and FRA", in a book on 'Tribal Situation in India', by Vidyut Joshi and Chandrakant Upadhyaya, Rawat publications, New Delhi, 2017.

"State, Forest Policy and Tribals: Some Ground Realities of Implementation of Forest Rights Act (2006) In Gujarat", in a book on 'Resources, Tribes and Development', by M.C.Behera and Jumyir Basar (eds.), Rawat Publications, Jaipur, 2014.

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Gamit: A Tribe from South Gujarat, Encyclopedic Profile of Indian Tribes, Discovery Publishing House, New-Delhi, December, 1995.

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1992: We are the Original People, by Marik Clark, Arthat, July-September, 1992.

Academic Affiliations:

- 1. Member of the Research Institute Committee (RIC), ICSSR, New Delhi.
- 2. Member of the Research Advisory Committee, Department of Social Work, Gujarat Vidyapith, Ahmedabad.
- 3. Expert Member of the Board of Studies, Faculty of Social Work, M.S. University of Baroda, Baroda.
- 4. Member of the Research Studies Committee, Department of Human Resource Development, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat.
- 5. Member of the Board of Studies, School of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences, Auro University, Surat.

- 6. Member of the Advisory Committee, Development Management Programme, Aga Khan Rural Support Programme (India), Ahmedabad.
- 7. Member of the Advisory Committee, Western Regional Centre, ICSSR, Mumbai.
- 8. Member of the Editorial Advisory Board, Quest in Education, The Quarterly Referred journal, published by Gandhi Shikshan Bhavan, Mumbai.

Affiliation with Civil Society Organisations:

- 1. Trustee Aman Public Charitable trust, New Delhi. AMAN envisages a proactive role for civil society in the reduction of conflict and the mitigation of its effects. Its philosophy is based on the concepts of ahimsa and samrastha (non – violence and harmony).
- **2.** Trustee and president of Sumangalam Trust, Ahwa-Dangs. The trust is managing Nai Talim Buniyada school for secondary and higher secondary education in which all tribal boys and girls are studying.
- 3. Trustee of Suruchi Yantra Vidyalay, Bardoli, A Gandhian Institute working for appropriate technology for rural transformation.
- 4. Member of the board of governors, Gram Seva Samaj, Vyara. Gram Seva Samaj is mainly engaging in imparting education among tribals and running 28 Ashram Shalas (residential school based on Gandhian principles) in interior tribal areas of Gujarat.