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Designation		PROFESSOR				
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Educational Qualifications						
Degree		Institution			Year	
Post-Doctorate		University of Hyderabad (ICPR General Fellow)			2005	
Ph.D.		University of Hyderabad			1998	
M.A.		University of Hyderabad			1990	
B.Sc.		Andhra Loyola College/Nagarjuna University			1988	
Career Profile						
Assistant Regional Director, IGNOU Regional Centre, Bhubaneswar, 26.9.2000 to 16.8.2002 Lecturer ,Department of Philosophy, Pondicherry University, Puducherry, from 19.8.2002 to 26.9.2004 Sr. Lecturer, Department of Philosophy, Pondicherry University, Puducherry, from 26.9.2004 to 25.9.2009 Assistant Professor, (Gr.3), Department of philosophy, Pondicherry University, Puducherry (8000 AGP), from 2009- 20.1.2015. Professor, Department of Philosophy, Faculty of Arts, University of Delhi, Delhi, from 22.1.2015 to till date						
Administrative Assignments						
Coordinator , Public Relations, Pondicherry University (2009)						
Areas of Interest / Specialization						
Contemporary Indian Philosophy, Ethics, Social and Political Philosophy, Philosophy of Religion, Cultural Studies, Continental Philosophy, Philosophy of Technology, Dalit Studies, and Social Movements						
Subjects Taught						
Philosophical Foundations of Contemporary Social Movements, Contemporary Approaches to Indian Philosophy, Ethics, Philosophy of B. R. Ambedkar, Eco-Philosophy, Understanding Culture, Recent Trends in Western Philosophy, Technology and Social Justice, Philosophy of History, Philosophy of Religion, Indian Modernity ,Critical Reading of Western Philosophy, Critical Philosophical Traditions of India, Philosophy of Biology, Continental Philosophy, Research Methodology, Bio-Politics and Philosophy						
Research Guidance						

1. Supervision of awarded Doctoral Thesis-1

Arulappan, *Phenomenological Psychology of Jean Paul Sartre and Merley Ponty* (2013)

2. Supervision of awarded M.Phil dissertations -8

Purushothaman. R, *Foundations of Computer Ethics: A Study*(2009)

Sukanta Kumar Sahu, *Ethical Theory of Emmanuel Levinas : A Study* (2010)

Snatagnitadri Dhirsamanta, *Theories of Punishment: A Social Justice Perspective*(2011)

Smritipriya Pattanayak, *Interrogating Untouchability: An Ethical Understanding* (2012)

Nutan Priyadarshini Pattanayak, *Charles Taylor's Communitarianism: A Study* (2013)

Samiksha Goyal, *An Ethical Critique of Capitalism: Gandhi's View* (2016)

Sukanya, B.R. *Ambedkar's Conception of Equality: A Study*(2017)

Mohammed Irshad, *Philosophy of Information: An Ethical Perspective*(2018)

2. Supervision of Doctoral Thesis, under progress-6

Purushothaman .R. *Information and Digital Divide: An Ethical Perspective*(Submitted)

K. Velmurugan, *Buddhism and Dalit Identity with special reference to Pandita Iyothethass and B.R.Ambedkar*(submitted)

Publications Profile

Books

Jiddu Krishnamurti: A Critical Study of Tradition and Revolution, Kalpaz Publications, Delhi, 2015

Political Philosophy of Ambedkar: An Inquiry into the Theoretical Foundations of Dalit Movement, Kalpaz Publications, Delhi, 2014 .

Dalita Vudhyamam-Velugu Needalu (Telugu), Spruha Publication, Hyderabad, 2010 (Collection of Essays on Philosophy, Culture, Literature and Struggles of Dalits)

Edited Books

Pidikedu Aatmagourvam Kosam (For Fistful of Self-Respect), Collected Writings of Kalekuri Prasad (Ed.), Bahujanakeratalu Publications, 2012

Dalita Manifesto , Vishphotana Publications, Hyderabad, Anthology of Dalit Poems(with K.Satyanarayana) ,1995

Articles in Journals (Published)

Politics of Literature: Contemporary Telugu Katha, *Scholar Critic*, (International Journal),
Vo.1 No.3, April 2014

Globalization and Cinema: Sa Re Ga Ma of 'Boys' , *Parishodhan-Global Research Journal*,
vol.2, No.1 January-March 2013,pp.9-18.

Liberation Theology of Dalit Literary Narratives: A Study of Madduri Nagesh Babu's 'Naraloka Prarthana', *Scholar Critic* (International Journal), Vo.1 No.1, April 2014

Against Brahminical Tradition: A Dalit Critique of Indian Modernity, *Lokayata: Journal of Positive Philosophy*, Vol.III. No.01, March 2013, p.4-17

Liberal Democracy and Kymlicka's Conception of Minority Rights: Towards a Perspective of Dalit Rights, *International Journal of South Asian Studies (IJSAS)* Vol.5 No.2 July2012-Dec.2013, pp.204-216

Popular Culture and Ideology: The Phenomenon of Gaddar, *Economic and Political Weekly*,

Vol.XLV.No.7, February13, 2010, pp.61-67

Community, Common Good and Democracy : An Indian response to Western Communitarianism

International Research Journal of Social Sciences, Vol.2 No.2 , 2009, pp.199-214

Subaltern Philosopher Saint Potuluri Veerabrahmdraswamy, *Journal of Dravidian Studies*,

Vol. V &VI No. 3-4&1-2, 2008, pp.19-21

Political Philosophy of Ambedkar: A Critical Understanding, *International Research Journal of*

Social Sciences, Vol.1 No.2. Pp.193-210, 2008, Pondicherry University, Puducherry

Indian Historiography and Ambedkar: Reading History from Dalit Perspective, *International*

Journal of South Asian Studies (IJSAS), Vol. 1. No.1. January -June 2008, Pondicherry University, Pondicherry, Pp. 123-143.

Adhunikatha: Dalita Vimarsa (Modernity: A Dalit Critique) *Charcha* (for Democratic Values),

May 2008, pp.19-21

Negotiating Caste and Gender: An Experience of Andhra Politics, *Insight* Vol. 1 No.7-8 March-

April 2005 pp.40-44

Performance of Social Memory.....In Search of Dalit Culture, *Vikalp* (e- journal), Vikas

Adhyayana Kendra, Mumbai, www.vakindia.org, August 2005 pp.79-91

Articles in Magazines/Newspapers/Blog Writings

Pluralism in Telugu Poetry , Poets Translating Poets, Poetry Traverses South Asia and Germany , Goethe Institut

(2016), <http://www.goethe.de/ins/in/lp/prj/ptp/mag/en15574250.htm>

Bijja Tarakam: The Dalit Leader, Round Table India (September 2016),

https://roundtableindia.co.in/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=8788:prof-p-kesava-kumar&catid=119:feature&Itemid=132

‘**Mathanni, Devudni Dhikkarinchina Boudham** ‘(Editorial In Telugu) , *Bhujana Keratalu*(June 2016), Ongole

,pp.2-3

Chapters in Books

‘**Bojja Tarakam: The Ambedkarite of Ourtimes**’, *The Gentle Warrior: In Memory of Bojja Tarakam*, Hyderabad: Hyderabad Book Trust,2018.

‘**The Pride of Identity Politics**, Foreword. (Ed) Vulli Dhanaraju, *Voice of the Other*. In *Understanding Marginal Identities* (2016), Delhi: Gen Next Publications, pp.9-12.

‘**Song: The Voice of Voiceless**,’ The Oxford India Anthology of Telugu Dalit Writing (2016) (Ed.

K.Purushotham, Gita Ramaswamy and Gogu Shyamala), New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp.451 - 457

Dappu: A Symbol of Dalit Protest, Counter-Writings- Dalits and Other Subalterns,(Ed.J.Bheemaiah), Prestige Books International, New Delhi,2016, pp.117-127

Media and Marginalization of Dalits, Dalits and Social Marginalisation, Ed.J.Bheemaiah) Aavishkar

Publishers, Distributors, Jaipur, India ,2012

Canon and Context : Telugu Dalit literature, Dalit Movement and Literature; Emerging Issues and

Challenges (Ed.B.Krishnaiah) Prestige books, 2011

Emergence of Dalit Novel in Telugu: An Overview, South India: Regions, Cultures and Sagas

(Ed.Inukonda Thirumali) Bibliomatrix, New Delhi, 2004

Course Material

M.A. Gandhi and Peace Studies, IGNOU:

MGP. 002 Philosophy of Gandhi (3 Units)

1. *Unit.10 Critical Understanding of Indian Civilization*
2. *Unit 11 Towards A New Civilization*
3. *Unit 15 Swadeshi*

M.A. Philosophy , IGNOU (4 Units)

4. MPY002 Western Philosophy Block: 1 ***Unit. 1 Characteristic of Western philosophy***
5. MPY002, Block: 1 ***Unit.4 Major Thinkers of Western Philosophy***
6. MPYE 010 Philosophy of Religion , Block 3 Atheism/A-theism ***Unit.4 Problem of Evil***
7. MPYE-010 Philosophy of Technology, Block 1 Reality: Chaos theory and Nano Technology
Unit.3 Nano-Technology: Basic Ideas and Applications

Certificate Programme on Life and Thought of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, IGNOU

“Unit 7 Social Democracy” BAB104 State, Democracy and Nation Building , IGNOU Certificate programme on Life and Thought of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, (2018), pp.70-81

Conference Organization/ Presentations (in the last three years)

Seminars Organized

ICPR National seminar on **Perspectives in Philosophy of Literature** organized by the Department of Philosophy, University of Delhi , 11-13 April, 2016.

ICPR Invited Lectures by Prof. William Sweet on **‘Identity, Culture and Recognition,’ and ‘Forgotten Philosophies’** on 15th February 2016.

ICPR national seminar on **State and Freedom: Ambedkar’s Perspective**, organized by Dept. of Philosophy, Pondicherry University, Pondicherry on 27-29 September 2012.

ICPR national workshop on **Issues in Ambedkar Studies**, organized by Dept. of Philosophy, Pondicherry University, Pondicherry on 23-24 July, 2012

National seminar on **‘Noam Chomsky and the Contemporary World’** sponsored by CIIL, Mysore and

Pondicherry University to be organized on 9-11 September 2008

ICPR National Seminar on **Philosophical Foundations of Contemporary Social Movements in India** at Department of Philosophy, Pondicherry University from 1st to 3rd September 2005

Presentation of Research Papers (last three years)

Special lecture on **Politics of Performance and the Phenomenon of Gaddar**, organized by School of Arts and Aesthetics, JNU, Delhi, on April 20, 2018

Ambedkar's conception of Social Justice in Seminar on B.R. Ambedkar and Social Justice organized by Department of Political Science, Shradhananda College , University of Delhi, Delhi on April 16, 2018.

Chaired a session of a Seminar on B.R. Ambedkar and Social Justice organized by Department of Political Science, Shradhananda College , University of Delhi, Delhi on April 16, 2018.

Socio-Political context & Ambedkar's Method and Interrogation of Indian Philosophy in National workshop on Philosophical thought of Dr.B.R.Ambedkar Organized by Department of Philosophy, Zakir Hussein College (Evening), University of Delhi, Delhi on 22-23 March, 2018

Chaired, Inaugural session of National workshop on Philosophical thought of Dr.B.R.Ambedkar Organized by Department of Philosophy, Zakir Hussein College (Evening),University of Delhi, Delhi on 22-23 March, 2018

Nature and Ecological consciousness in Indian Philosophy in Second International conference on Global climate change an Ecosystem Management, Culture, Tradition and Nature, organized by Academy of Value based Management of ISOL Foundation in collaboration with University of Toronto on March 10, 2018

Chaired Panel discussion on **Caste in the Classroom**, part of Annual literary festival organized by Miranda House, 16th March 2018

Caste, Religion and Nation: Ambedkar's Ethico-Rationalistic Critique of Hindu Religious Nationalism, International Conference on *Reclaiming Social Justice, Revisiting Ambedkar* on the occasion of 126th Birth Anniversary of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar organized by Government of Karnataka, Bengaluru, India 21 – 23 (Friday – Sunday) July, 2017

Chaired, Session on Social movements and Social transformation , International Conference on *Reclaiming Social Justice, Revisiting Ambedkar* organized by Government of Karnataka, Bengaluru , India 21 – 23 (Friday – Sunday) July, 2017

“The Idea of a University: Debating Autonomy and Culture of Dissent” National Seminar on “ *Dr. B. R. Ambedkar's Vision and Works on Education – Relevance to Our Times*” organized by Telangana State Council of Higher Education (TSCHE) , Hyderabad, 14-15 July 2017 .

Satyagraha as Pragmatic Political Strategy: Reflections on Contemporary Social Movements, National Seminar on *Debating Satyagraha: Hundred Years of Champaran Satyagraha* Organised by Centre for Studies and Research in Gandhian Thought and Peace, Central University of Gujarat on April 20, 2017

Lecture on issues in **Issues in Theorizing Dalit Movement** at Centre for the study of discrimination and exclusion, JNU, Delhi on 11th April 2017

Lecture on '**Political Values**' for students of certificate course on value based education 'living values' organized by Miranda House, Delhi University ,on 03March, 2017

Philosophy as an Articulation of Social Practices of Inarticulated , *Dr. B.R.Ambedkar Perspective on the State Society and Economy : Revisiting his Vision and Mission* organized Dr. B.R Ambedkar's 125th Year Birth Anniversary Celebrations Committee, University of Hyderabad on 22-23 February, 2017

'Pen Points and Gun Points' - Literary Voices of Indian Democratic Revolution , Conference on *Revolution : Literature and Beyond* organized by English Literary Society, St. Stephen's College, Delhi , 22-24 March, 2017.

Key Note Address, **Ethics of Care of Elderly: A Philosophical Probing**, National seminar on *Ethical Issues of Geriatric Care* organized by Andhra Loyola College, Vijayawada, 28-29 October , 2016

Invited Lecture, **Political Perspectives in Theorizing Dalit Movement** , Department of English, University of Delhi on 27th October 2016.

Special Lecture, **Interrogating Indian Modernity**, Department of Political Science . Zakir Hussein Delhi College, 4th October 2016.

Philosophy of Autobiography: Reflections on Narration of Dalit Self, National seminar on *Exploring of Self: Autobiography in the Indian Context*, organized by Centre for Comparative Literature , University of Hyderabad, 15-16 September 2016

Politics of Freedom : Worlds of Literature and Philosophy ICPR National seminar on *Perspectives in Philosophy of Literature* organized by the Department of Philosophy, University of Delhi , 11-13 April , 2016.

Contemporary Indian Intellectual Tradition and The Question of Caste: Philosophical enlightenment of B.R. Ambedkar ICPR National seminar on *Contemporary Indian Thinkers*, Department of Philosophy, University of Delhi, March 2016.

Dalit Consciousness- Literature and Culture: Challenges of Future, National seminar on Dalit Consciousness- Literature and Culture: Challenges of Future organized by Centre for Dalit and Adivasi studies and translation , University of Hyderabad, March 19-20, 2016

Special Lecture on **Critical Philosophical Traditions in India**, Department of Philosophy, Kamala Nehru College, Delhi on 27th January 2016.

Ambedkar's Conception of Equality: A Philosophical Understanding, ICPR International Seminar on Idea of Equality, IIC, New Delhi, 28-30 July 2015

Ambedkar's Conception of Democracy: A Philosophical Note, National seminar on Ambedkar and Indian Democracy, organized by Centre for Ambedkar Studies, University of Hyderabad, 26-27 March, 2015.

Contemporary Buddhism and the Question of Caste: Iyothee Thass and B.R.Ambedkar, International seminar on Contemporary Buddhism: Debates and Applications, organized by Buddhist Studies Initiative, Department of Philosophy, University Mumbai, 19-21 March , 2015

Social Movements of Andhra: Continuity and Discontinuity of Social Change, and Chaired a session, Perspectives of Social Movements In Andhra Pradesh, organized by Department of history, Archeology and Culture, Dravidian University, Kuppam ,2-3 April, 2014

State, Social Freedom and Nation Building, Political Philosophy of Ambedkar, National seminar on B.R.Ambedkar's contribution to Nation Building, Centre for Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy, JNU, New Delhi, 24-25 February,2014

Contemporary Buddhism and the Question of Caste: Iyothee Thass and B.R.Ambedkar, International seminar on Contemporary Buddhism: Debates and Applications, organized by Buddhist Studies Initiative, Department of Philosophy, University Mumbai, 19-21 March , 2015

Gender and Violence in Normal times and Discussant on Abdul Shaban's paper, 'Muslim citizenship, Identity and Violence in India: Politics, State and Infringement of Rights' International conference on Violence and its Habitations in India, organized by Council for Social Development, Hyderabad, 28-30 November,2013

Religion, Caste and Modernity: Ambedkar's Construction of Buddhism, National seminar on Buddhism, Neo-Buddhism and the question of caste, CUTS, Saranath and ICPR, New Delhi , 3-5 October 2013

Against Brahminical Tradition: Ambedkar's Approach to Indian Philosophy, National seminar on Ambedkarite Philosophy: Its Relevance, Department of Philosophy, Dhanwate National college, Nagpur, 28-29 September 2013

A Dream of Aakupatchani Desam: Politics of Development and Displacenment of Chenchus of Nallamala, UGC National seminar on Contesting Tribal Subalternity: Social and Economic Challenges in India, Centre for Comparative Literature, University of Hyderabad, 29-30 July,2013.

Search for Identity: Struggles of Dalit Youth, National seminar on Caste and Dalits: A way Out, Centre for Dalit and Adivasi Studies and Translation, University of Hyderabad, 24-25 July 2013

Discrimination, Dalit Identity and Freedom, and chaired a session, National seminar on Discrimination, Identity and Philosophy of Dr.Ambedkar, Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow, 8-9 April 2013

Non-Brahminical Hinduism of K.Satchidananda Murty: A Critical Appraisal, The Philosophy of Professor K.Satchidananda Murty, Department of Philosophy, University of Madras, 28-30 January 2013

Political Meanings of Atrocity: Phenomenology of Caste Violence, Seminar on Violence and Dalit Movement , Indian Social Institute, Bangalore and IAS, Shimla, Nov.19-20,2012

Strategies for Telangana State: The question of Caste, National seminar on New States and Social Movements, Dept. of sociology, Satavahana University, Oct. 5-6,2012

Dalit song of Indian Revolution: Politics and Literature of K.G.Satyamurthy, and Chaired a session, National seminar on Telugu Literature: Contemporary Politics and Socio-economic Movement, Council for Social Development, Hyderabad, 30-31 August,2012

Struggles for Freedom against Hegemonic State: Ambedkar's Perspective, ICPR National Seminar on State and Freedom: Ambedkar's Perspective, Department of Philosophy, Pondicherry University, 27-29 Sept.2012

Chaired, *Research In Ambedkar Studies*, ICPR National Work Shop on Issues in Ambedkar Studies, Department of Philosophy, Pondicherry University, 23-24 July 2012

Chaired , *Professional Ethics*, ICPR National Workshop on Interdisciplinary Ethics, Department of Philosophy, Pondicherry University, 2-3Aug.2012

Performing Dalit Culture: Politicization of Folklore , International conference on Multiple streams of a Performance, Department of Performing Arts, Pondicherry University, Pondicherry ,26-28 March 2012

Philosophical Discourse on Equality: Ambedkar's view Point, National seminar on Mindscapes of caste : Reconciling Equality and Justice, Department of Political Science, Delhi University , New Delhi, 23rd -24th March 2012

Politics of writing: The question of Authenticity and Representation , and Chaired a session , National seminar on Dalit experience and the question of marginality , Department of English, Delhi University, New Delhi, 16-18 February 2012

Research Projects (Major Grants/Research Collaboration)

Awards and Distinctions

Association With Professional Bodies

Member, Committee for Revision of Syllabus of UGC NET Philosophy(2018)
Member, Delhi University Court
Member, Departmental Research Committee, Dept. of Philosophy, DU
Member, M. Phil committee, Dept. of Philosophy, DU
Member, Post Graduate Course Committee, Dept. of Philosophy, DU
Member, School Board of Humanities, Pondicherry University from 2002 to 2015
Member, Board of Studies (UG&PG), in Philosophy, Pondicherry University, 2002-2015
Member, Board of Studies, Yoga studies, Bangalore University, Bangalore,2011-2015
Member, Constitution committee for Bharat Ratna Ambedkar Chair, Pondicherry University, Puducherry

Chief Editor, *Bahujana Keratalu* (Political, Literary and Cultural magazine in Telugu), 2013-2015
Secretary, *Society of Indian Journal of Philosophy, Religion and Culture* (Pondicherry University)
Member of Advisory Board, *Scholar Critic* (International Interdisciplinary Journal)

Other Activities

Signature of Faculty Member

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