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Educational Qualifications						
Degree		Institution				Year
Ph.D.		MADRAS UNIVERSITY [Thesis topic: History of				1979
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M.Phil. / M.Tech.		N/A				N/A
PG		M.A. HISTORY, PRESIDENCY COLLEGE, MADRAS				1968
UG		B. Sc BOTANY, GOVERNMENT ARTS COLLEGE, MADRAS				1966
Any other qualification		N/A				
Career Profile						

Graduated in Science, Masters in History and Ph.D in History. Was an Assistant Professor (from 1971 – 1980), and then a Professor with the Tamilnadu Collegiate Education Service from 1980 – 1984.

Joined Delhi University as Reader in February 1984 and became a Professor 10 years later in 1994.

### Administrative Assignments

### **Delhi University**

- ✓ Principal Investigator, EurIndia Project between the European Union and Delhi University, 2004 2007.
- ✓ Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, 2001 2003.
- ✓ Director, Population Education Centre, 2001 2003.
- ✓ Chairman, Admission Advisory Committee, 2001 2003.
- ✓ Member, Academic Council, 2001 2003 and 2008 2010.
- ✓ Head, Department of History, 2001 2004.
- ✓ Head, Department of Adult Continuing Education and Extension, 2001 2003.
- ✓ Member, Executive Council, 2001 2002.
- ✓ Chairman, Review Committee of Colleges, 1999 2001.

### Ministry of Human Resources Development, Government of India (MHRD)

- ✓ Member, Joint Committee of UGC, AICTE and Distance Education Council, IGNOU, 2007 2009.
- ✓ Adjudicator, Satyen Mitra Awards, MHRD, 2002 2004.
- ✓ Member Secretary, Indian Council of Historical Research, 1998 1999 (A Cabinet Committee Appointment)
- ✓ Chairman, Senior Secondary History, National Institute of Open Schooling, 2004 2009.
- ✓ Member, Academic Council & Research Council, IGNOU, 2007 2009.

### **University Grants Commission (UGC)**

- ✓ Helped prepare a model curriculum for History and Archaeology, 2000 2001.
- ✓ Member, X Plan Implementation Committee (2003 2004) and XI Plan Implementation Committee (2008 2009).
- ✓ Member of Population Education Committee (2003 2004), Review Committees of CAS, SAP and Foreign Travel Grant since 2000.
- ✓ Carried out a survey for UGC to evaluate the effectiveness of telephonic counseling in 17 universities during 2003 2004.

### **Indian History Congress (IHC)**

✓ Have made important contribution to Indian History Congress as Treasurer (1986 – 1989), Joint Secretary and Incharge, Permanent Office (1989 – 1992) and Local Secretary (1992).

### Areas of Interest / Specialization

- ✓ Social and Economic History of Peninsular India.
- ✓ Social History of Performing Arts / Interdisciplinarity

## Subjects Taught

- ✓ Ancient and Medieval Peninsular Indian History
- ✓ World Civilizations
- ✓ Socio political formations
- ✓ European History
- ✓ Interdisciplinarity Studies on Asian Culture

### Research Guidance

- ✓ Supervision of awarded Doctoral Thesis Ten (10)
- ✓ Supervision of Doctoral Thesis, under progress One (1)
- ✓ Supervision of awarded M.Phil dissertations **Twenty (20)**
- ✓ Supervision of M.Phil dissertations, under progress Nil

### **Publications Profile**

## **Books/Monographs (Authored)**

- ✓ Political Change and Agrarian Tradition in South India (1600-1801), Mittal Publications, Delhi, 1986.
- ✓ Environment and Urbanization in Early Tamilakam, Tamil University, Thanjavur, 1988.
- ✓ Evolution of Political Society in South India, Kalinga Publications, Delhi, 1993.
- ✓ Rhythm in Historical Cognition (Co-author), Kalinga Publications, Delhi, 1993.
- ✓ Music as History in Tamilnadu, Primus Publications, Delhi, 2010

#### Books/Monographs (Edited and others)

- ✓ Town Planning in Early South India (Prefatory Introduction), Mittal Publications, 1987.
- ✓ Marriage and Worship in Early Societies (Prefatory Introduction), Mittal Publication, 1988.
- ✓ Proceedings of the Indian History Congress, 49th, 50th and 51st Sessions (Editor cum Publisher).
- ✓ Trends in Social Science Research, Special issue: Culture Studies, Vol. 4, No. 1, June 1997 (Guest Editor).
- ✓ Negotiating India's Past, Essays in Memory of Partha Sarathi Gupta, (Co-editor) Tulika Books, New Delhi, 2003.
- ✓ Telephonic Counselling in University System (Co-author), Delhi, 2005.

### <u>Papers</u>

- ✓ Naga Origin of Pallavas of Kanchi Proceedings of the Indian History Congress, 1977.
- ✓ Social Roots of Early Tamilian Religious Ideology Proceedings of the Indian History Congress, 1978.
- ✓ Pattern of Economy of Early Tamils Proceedings of the Indian History Congress, 1980.
- ✓ Chieftaincies of Sangam Age A Developmental Approach, Proceedings of the Indian History Congress, 1981.
- ✓ Environmental and Economic Orientation of Sangam Monarchy (Vendu) Proceedings of the South Indian History Congress, 1981.
- ✓ Growth of Urban Centres in Early Tamilakam Proceedings of the Indian History Congress, 1982.
- ✓ Pattern of Political Structure in the Sangam Age Heritage of the Tamils, International Institute of Tamil Studies, Madras, 1983.
- ✓ Kallar Settlement and the Rise of Pudukottai Town, Tamil Studies, Madras, 1987.
- ✓ Bhakti Ideology Vis-a-vis Hymns of Saivite Nayanmars Proceedings of the Indian History Congress, 50th Session, 1989.
- ✓ Poligari System and Agricultural Labour in the Tamil Country Bihar Itihas Parishad, 1992.
- ✓ The Concept of Androgyne and Historical Explanation. The Case of Kanci Pallavas. Trends in Social Science Research (1994) 2 December.
- ✓ Chiefdom to State: Reflections on Kaveri Delta Social Formations, Proceedings of the Indian History, 57th Session, Chennai.
- ✓ Politics, Culture and 'Caste' in Early Tamilakam, Social Science Probings, March 1994 December 1995.
- ✓ Rational and Social Foundations of Music and Dance of Early Tamils, First to Fourth Centuries, Proceedings of the Indian History Congress, Patiala, 1998.
- ✓ Devoluted Patterns of Power During Vijayanagar Hegemony and their Impact on Society and Religion, Proceedings of the Indian History Congress, Calicut, 1999.
- ✓ "Social Life of the Early Tamils: Random Reflection on the Components" in S. Settar and P.K.V. Kaimal (eds.), We Lived Together, Pragati Publications, ICHR, Monograph Series 3, Delhi, 2000.
- ✓ Music as History: The Tamilnadu Experience, Professor S. Rajendran Endowment Lecture, Loyola College, Chennai, 2001.
- "The Legitimacy of Order: Music as Ideology in Ancient and Medieval Tamilakam" in Biswamoy Pati et al. (eds.),

  Negotiating Indias' Past: Essays in Memory of Partha Sarathy Gupta, Tulika Books, New Delhi, 2003.
- ✓ Maratta Tanjore in the Lyrics of Thyagaraja (circa A.D. 1763-1850) Mamidipudi Venkatrangiah Memorial Lecture, 27th Session A.P. History, Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati, 4th January 2003.
- ✓ Of History and Historians: An Appreciation of Hobsbawm, Stein and Keay, Presidential Address, Historiography Section 27th Session, A.P. History Congress, S.V. University, Tirupati, 4th January 2003.
- ✓ Little Kings and Little Kingship in South India, 51st South India Heritage Lecture, Ramu Endowments, TAG Centre, Chennai, April 30, 2006.
- ✓ "History of Music During Vijayanagara Nayak Phase" in P. Shanmugam and Srinivasan (eds.) Recent Advances in Vijayanagara Studies, New Era Publications, Chennai, 2006.
- ✓ "Political Heritage of South India in the Early Modern Period" in Prema Kasturi and Chithra Madhavan (eds.), South India Heritage: An Introduction, East West Books (Madras) Pvt. Ltd., 2007.
- ✓ "Economic Heritage of South India" in Prema Kasturi and Chithra Madhavan (eds.), South India Heritage: An Introduction, East West Books (Madras) Pvt. Ltd., 2007.
- ✓ Knowledge and Society: Understanding Historical Transitions, Keynote Address, 28th Session, South Indian History Congress, Sri Krishnadevaraya University, Anantpur (AP), January 19-21, 2008.
- ✓ 'Interdisciplinarity, Music, History and the Tamils', Sangeet Natak Volume XLIV, Number 4, 2010, pp3-19.
- ✓ 'Historical Dimensions of Thevaara Isai' Sangeet Natak, Volume XLV, Number 1, 2011, pp34-45

# Conference Organization/ Presentations (in the last three years)

Participation in International Conferences since 2005.

- ✓ Beijing Forum (2005) organised by Peking University from November 16th to 18th at Beijing. (Delhi University Delegation)
- ✓ Indology Conference (2006) held at Moscow on March 15-16, 2006 and presented a paper titled "Popular Culture in India: Case Studies of Ramlila and Diglossia in Tamil" (ICCR Delegation).
- ✓ International Conference on Teaching and Learning of World Civilizations on the Web organised jointly by City University, Hong Kong and Peking University, April 2007 and presented a paper titled "Music as an Index of Civilization The Case of Indian Music."
- ✓ Wrap-up meeting of EurIndia Project held at Paris on 5th July 2007.

### Research Projects (Major Grants/Research Collaboration)

- ✓ Short Term Project, Tamil University, 1983-84
- ✓ EurIndia, Project between the European Union and Delhi University, 2004 2007 [Acted as Principal Investigator]

#### **Awards and Distinctions**

- ✓ President, Cultural History Section, XVI, Annual Conference, South Indian History Congress, Gulburga University, Gulburga, February 9-11, 1996
- ✓ President, Section I, Ancient India, Indian History Congress, 57th Session, Madras University, Chennai, December 27-29, 1996.
- ✓ Sankara Parvathy Endowment Lectures, Madras University, Chennai, 1998.
- ✓ Endowment Lecture, 5th Annual Session, Tamilnadu History Congress, M.S. University, Tirunelveli, October 24-25, 1998.
- ✓ Professor Rajendran Endowment Lecture, Loyola College, Chennai, March 21, 2001.
- ✓ President, Historiography Section, 27th Session A.P. History Congress, Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati, 4th January, 2003.
- ✓ Mamidipudi Venkatrangiah Endowment Lecture, 27th Session A.P. History Congress, Sri Venkateswara University, Triupathi, 4th January 2003.
- √ Hari Ram Gupta Memorial Endowment Lecture, Punjab University, Chandigarh, March 2004.
- ✓ Mamidipudi Venkatrangiah Endowment Lecture, Madras University, Chennai, March 2004.
- ✓ 51st South India Heritage Lecture, TAG Centre, Chennai, 30th April, 2006.
- ✓ Keynote Address, 28th Session of South Indian History Congress, Sri Krishnadevaraya University, Anantapur, Andhra Pradesh, January 19-21, 2008.
- ✓ Delivered Professor S Nurul Hasan Memorial Lecture on August 3, 2010 at Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh.
- ✓ Delivered Mathura Lal Sharma Endowment Lecture, Kota Open University, Rajasthan in December 2010.
- ✓ Delivered a public lecture on invitation from CP Ramasamy Foundation on August 14, 2010 in Chennai.
- ✓ Invited to deliver Professor KA Nilakanta Sastri Memorial Lecture at Madras University, Chennai in 2011.

#### Association With Professional Bodies

- ✓ Life Member, Indian History Congress
- ✓ Life Member, South Indian History Congress
- ✓ Life Member, Tamilnadu History Congress
- ✓ Life Member, Indian Music Congress
- ✓ Member, Urban History Association of India
- ✓ Member, Place Name Society
- ✓ Member, Epigraphical Society of India
- Member, World Archaeological Congress
- Member, South Indian Numismatic Society

- ✓ Associate, South Studies, Chicago University
- ✓ Member of Professional Recruitment Bodies State and Centre Service Commissions

# Other Activities

- ✓ Is a performing Mridangam artiste.
- ✓ As a Mridangist, has had the privilege of accompanying veterans Carnatic musicians Chembai Vaidyanatha Bhagavathar, Alathur Srinivasa Iyer, DK Jayaraman, Ramanad Krishnan, Dr Balamurali Krishna, TM Thiagarajan, TK Govinda Rao, TR Subrahmanyam, TN Seshagopalan, Flute Ramani and many others.
- ✓ Is a graded artiste of AIR, Doordarshan and empanelled artiste of ICCR.
- $\checkmark$  Produced many documentaries for IOC and other Governmental Organisations.

Signature of Faculty Member

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