

## Curriculum Vitae

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Ambazari Garden Campus Road,  
N.I.T. Layout, Nagpur-10

**Date of birth:** 02-09-1971

**Gender:** Female

**Teaching experience:** 15 years and 3 months (till 30/12/2010)  
Inclusive of 7 years at the senior college level  
Rest all at the postgraduate level and M Phil

**Institution last served:** Smt Binzani Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Mahal, Nagpur

**Period of service:** 27/9/1995 till 30/9/2002

**Nature of employment:** Fulltime, regular, confirmed and permanent

**Institution presently employed:** The Postgraduate Teaching Department of English  
University of Mumbai

**Period of service:** 1/10/2002 till date

**Nature of employment:** Fulltime, regular, confirmed and permanent

**Designation:** Senior Lecturer in English  
PGTD, Mumbai University, Mumbai

**Academic qualification:** B.Sc., B.A additional (English literature),  
M.A. (English), S.E.T., PhD, LLB.

**Other qualifications:** Diploma in computer software  
One-year certificate course in Urdu

**Refresher courses:** Completed one Orientation and Three refresher courses in  
English organized by the UGC with A grade

**Merits/Awards:** 2<sup>nd</sup> by order of merit at the BA addl. (English literature) exam  
3<sup>rd</sup> by order of merit at the MA (English) exam

**Topic of doctoral research:** Theme of Emancipation in contemporary African American  
Women poets-Nikki Giovanni, Maya Angelou, Rita Dove  
(1970-2000)

**Area of Specialization:** American literature, African American literature, contemporary  
women writings, Indian Literature in Translation, Theory and  
Literary Criticism, Marginal and Revolutionary writings and  
British literature

**Area of Research& Interest:** Regional poetry, Indian Literature in English, Translation and  
Comparative Literature.

**Research experience:**

- 1) Presently guiding 3 students for their PhD. and 1 student for MPhil  
dissertation
- 2) Consistently doing research on various subjects specially on  
Indian Writings, Immigrant Literature, Regional and folk Literature and  
Diaspora, American literatures, and women writings for last 10 years
- 3) Working on post doctoral research in areas like comparative

Literatures and literatures of Indian marginalized.

**Research Proposal:** To be Sent to UGC for acceptance as a major Research project

Dalit Agendas: Emancipation, Citizenship and Empowerment.

Title: - (Re) mapping strategies for Emancipation: A Critical study of Marathi Dalit women writers from a Dalit feminist position.

**Resource person:**

1. Invited as resource person to deliver talk at Academic staff College, Nagpur March 2005
2. Invited by the Mohile Parekh Centre for Performing Arts to Chair the talk by Marianne Novy and give inputs on "Shakespeare-Sympathy and Prejudice".
3. Invited at the "World Social Forum" to speak on "Affirmative Action" January 2004
4. Invited as a resource person for "model parliament" under the auspices of 50 years of India's independence at New Delhi in presence of George Fernandez and P.A. Sangma.
5. Invited by NCCI, CNI, CSI, UELCI at the "National Methodology workshop" 20-22 august 2005 to speak on "Contextual and sociological scenario of marginalized"
6. Invited by Mahila Mahavidyalaya and Nagpur University English Teachers organization jointly as a Resource person On 25<sup>th</sup> august 2005 to speak on 'Black Women Writers-Gender Roles/ "Womanist" perspective'
7. Invited as a resource person by the International Dhamma Mahila Parishad to speak on the "Buddhism as the need of this age for attaining Universal Peace" on 20-21 September 2006 at Diksha Bhoomi, Nagpur
8. Invited as resource person by the American center Calcutta to speak on "American literature: responses in Asia and Asia Pacific on 22-24 august 2006
9. Invited as a resource person by the Ambedkar center for Economic and social justice, University of Mumbai to speak on Buddhism and 21<sup>st</sup> century
10. Invited as resource person to speak on "Contextualizing challenges to Buddhism: Combating forces of Dissent and Appropriation in the 21<sup>st</sup> century" on the 4<sup>th</sup> march 2007 at Patrakar Bhawan, Pune
11. Invited to speak as resource person at the UGC Sponsored Refresher course in English on theme "Romanticism and Resistance: A Post Colonial Approach –special reference to Slave Literature of the Romantic period" at Jadhavpur University on 1<sup>st</sup> march 2006
12. Invited to speak as resource person at the UGC Sponsored

- Refresher course in English on “Black women writers” at HP University, Shimla on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2006
13. Have been consistently invited to read poems at various literary meets like the SAARC, Asmitadarsha, Abhivyakti, Kusumanjali, Kavyotsav, Sahitya akademi etc.
  14. Made presentations at the SAARC Writers Literary meet at New Delhi 2007
  15. Invited as a resource person by Sahitya Akademi at Nagpur to speak on the Folk theatre of Maharastra- Tamasha and Tamasha Dance on 12<sup>th</sup> Oct 2008
  16. Invited by the Punjabi Sahitya Akademi and Sahitya Akademi, Delhi as resource person to speak on the The future of Indian Languages: Challenges and Opportunities on 17<sup>th</sup> Jan 2009
  17. Invited by Sahitya Akademi as a panelist for the session on Translations and as a poet for recitations at the Moscow Book Fair from 30<sup>th</sup> August -8<sup>th</sup> Sept 2009
  18. Made presentations at the Turkish writers Union at Istanbul as a member of the delegation of Sahitya Akademi on 10<sup>th</sup> Sept 2009
  19. Invited by the Gujarat vidyapeeth as resource person to speak on Black Femminism at the international seminar on Feminism in literature on 7<sup>th</sup> Dec.2009
  20. Invited by the Sahitya Akademi, Mumbai as resource person to speak on aspects of translations on 20<sup>th</sup> Dec2009
  21. Invited by Sahitya Akademi, Delhi as resource person for the writers meet cum seminar on why do I write, how do I write on 6<sup>th</sup> Jan 2010
  22. Invited by Khalsa college, Punjab as resource person and Chairperson for UGC National conference on Literature of small cultures: assertion of difference on 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> march 2010

**Published works:**

1. First poem published at the age of 9 in “Lokmat” then Onwards several book reviews, articles (both social and Literary), and poems published in dailies, weeklies, Souvenirs etc
2. Poems published in “Gungo ki Awaaz”-an anthology edited By Dr. J.H.Anand, ISPCK Publications
3. Poem “I long For Those days” selected by the National Library of Poetry Owing Mills, Maryland, USA 1995
4. Poems published in the “Sunday Observer”, Srilanka, Mauritius times, ISPCK, Delhi 1996-97
5. Marathi Translations of poems published by the Sahitya Academy, New Delhi Nov-Dec2005
- 6.”Durban and Beyond”-experiences and Review published by

- the Institute of engineers in their magazine in 2001
7. Published paper on contextual and sociological challenges Before Buddhism in contemporary times in “Muktigatha” September 2006 issue, p.122-128
  8. Published research article on the “Non absurdity of the Absurd drama” in Sunday magazine, 1999, Nagpur
  9. Published research paper on Arundhati Roy’s “God of Small Things: A Laudable perception” in journal “New Horizons” Volume VIII No.10, July 1998, Nagpur p.44-47
  10. Published Research paper titled “Revamping the Canon: Poetry of Contemporary African American women poets Published in The International issue on Poetry titled “Yapanchitra: A portrait of Life” July 2006 issue, Barnana Publication, Kolkata, p.43-55
  11. Published Research Paper titled “From Margins to the Centre: Comparative Analysis of African American Writing and Marathi Dalit Literature of Maharashtra, in “Studies in American Literature”, Volume V, 2007, American centre, U.S Consulate General, Printodex Publication: Kolkata, p.81-90
  12. Published Research paper titled “Crossing the Boundaries: A Critical Analysis of Marathi Dalit writing of Maharashtra with special reference to the poetry of Dr. Jyoti B.Lanjewar” in “Creative Forum” Vol.19:2, Dec 2007 Bahari Publications: New Delhi.
  13. Published research paper on “(Re) Negotiating the Dialectics of Empowerment: The Poetry of Contemporary Marathi Dalit women writers” SAARC Publication, New Delhi
  14. Published Research paper titled ““(Re) capturing the Cadences of an African American self and womanhood: A Critical overview of Black women autobiographies” in “Creative Forum” Vol.23, No1-2, Jan-Dec 2010 Bahari Publications: New Delhi.
  15. Published research paper on ““Dynamics of self and the Rhetoric of difference: Critiquing Marathi Dalit women Autobiographies” GSSSDGS Khalsa publications: Patiala

**Books published:**

1. **“Red Slogans on the Green Grass”** a collection of poems Translated into English, Pune: Scion Publication, 2008
2. **“Kuchh Yu Bhi”** a collection of poems in Hindi-Urdu, Nagpur: Sanket Prakashan, 2008
3. **“In the Days of Cages”** a collection of poems in English, N.Delhi: Manohar publishers, 2009

### **Publication in press:**

1. Analytical book (on criticism) **“Emancipation and Contemporary African American Women poets”** in press.
- 2) Analytical book (on criticism) **‘Critical essays: positioning the other/ Essays from the margins’** in the press
- 3) Book on **Modern Indian Poetry** special issue on **peace** to be published from Kolkata by Dec 2010 this year
- 4) Translations of Marathi Dalit women poetry into English, in the press
- 5) Research Paper on **“Towards a new humanism: Gender roles And Women Experience”** sent for publication in book **“Black writers”** to the New York State University press. USA
- 6) Paper **“Critical overview of Tamasha of Maharashtra with Special focus on Laavni Dance”** sent to Indian Literature – Sahitya Academy’s journal

### **Other achievements:**

1. Poems in Hindi, Marathi and English broadcasted by the All India Radio
2. Acted in plays for the All India Radio
3. Won several prizes and awards at debates, instrumental and dance competitions
4. Invited continually as a speaker and resource person for social, academic, literary Programme and poetry meets.
5. Widely traveled both in India and abroad as a Researcher and human rights activist
6. Lobbied for the Black cause and Dalit cause as a UN special delegate at Geneva and Durban in 2001 in the World Conference against racism.
7. Known as a writer, orator and translator in social and literary circles
8. Popular with students as a young teacher, Research guide and Appreciated greatly by the Student Community for contributions made to teaching and student development.
9. Attended the International Book fair held at Moscow as member of the Sahitya Academi’s Writers and scholars delegation to Russia and Istanbul in Sept. 2009

### **Membership to professional bodies:**

1. Member of Forum for international faith and reconciliation (FORI)
2. Associated with South Asian human rights group (SAHR)
3. National Alliance of Women Organization (NAWO)
4. Executive member of National campaign on Dalit human rights (NCDHR)
5. Ex- president of Dalit solidarity peoples (DSP)
6. Founder member of “Youth for Peace and Disarmament (YPD)
7. Vice president of the university YMCA

- 8 Member of Teachers association for social change (TASC)
9. Associated with the “cultural academy for peace”(CAP)
10. Associated with Global March-movement against child labour
11. Life member of “Indo- American centre for international studies”, Hyderabad (IACIS)
- 12 Member of the American studies research centre, Mumbai (ASRC)
13. Executive member of Mumbai University English Teachers association (MUETA)
14. Member of the “Abhivyakti women writers’ organization”, Nagpur
15. Member of the “Centre for studies in Romantic Literature” West Bengal.
16. Executive member of “Bahujan Shikshak Shikshaketar Karmachari Sangh, Pune
17. Life member of the Comparative Literature Association of India, Delhi

**Service to Community: Including Extension work and Administrative work done:**

1. Organized numerous workshops, seminars and consultations for youth and women on several related social issues in various parts of Maharashtra and some parts of North
2. Organized signature campaign for peace and anti nuclear movement.
3. Organized a 5 day workshop for youth at Lonara Village Nagpur on “strengthening Unity”
4. Organized a day’s programme for women in Kanhan on “Women Empowerment”
5. Conducted literacy and awareness campaign through workers at grassroots level
6. Organized a day’s consultation programme in Pulgaon on “Human Rights”
7. Organized Street plays on burning topics like Dowry, Aids, female infanticide etc
8. Organized creative workshops and contests for college students at Nagpur
9. Organized a mass Blood donation camp on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2003 for the students, teaching and non teaching members of the University of Mumbai on behalf of the university department of English
10. Organized several cultural activities on behalf of the department of English, Mumbai
11. Coordinated a workshop for training the chairpersons of women development cell, set up in various colleges affiliated to Mumbai University along with the former chairperson Dr. Rohinitai Gawankar on 28-29 Nov 2005
12. Invited to deliver talk at the ICSSR University of Mumbai under the auspices of 50 years of conversion to Buddhism by the Babasaheb Ambedkar school of thought as part of the annual programme for the year 2005
13. Coordinated with the J.J. hospital authorities and rendered guidance to the students representatives for conducting the blood donation camp at the Marathi Bhasha Bhawan, University of Mumbai on 1<sup>st</sup> Dec 2005
14. Organized poetry evening, variety entertainment and directed a play as in charge and Co-ordinator of cultural activities for the international conference on Resistance 2<sup>nd</sup> -4<sup>th</sup> Feb 2006
15. Have been assigned the charge of the computerization and website upgradation along with the cooperation of the office staff for the year 2006-2007
16. Have been a special rapporteur for the international conference on Honor killings organized by the department of civics and politics in collaboration with PIPFP and MASUM
17. Incharge and coordinator of the students’ welfare activities for the year 2006-2007
18. Appointed on the syllabus revision committee for M.Phil in the subject “Theory and

Practice of translation”, assisted in restructuring the syllabus both at the UG and PG Levels

19. Given concrete suggestions and relevant proposals in relation to course content and syllabi from time to time.
20. Regularly assisted in the university examination, Central Assessment programme as an Examiner, Moderator and paper setter at the Post graduate level as also at the MPhil. Also member of Students Grievance Redressal cell, of the University of Mumbai
21. Co- coordinated a National seminar on “Indian Theatre Today” alongwith the Academy of Theatre Arts on 30-31<sup>st</sup> January 2008
22. Conducted a workshop on the Dynamics of community at Narayangao, Pune on 5-6<sup>th</sup> Jan 2009
23. Have conducted interviews as member of selection committee for MPSC 4/12/09
24. Invited as a Member of the selection committee for Central University Gujarat 16/12/09

**Participations/invitations in national and international/seminars/ conferences/ workshops/consultations:**

1. Participated in the international workshop on Democracy and Human Rights as a women leader at Kovalam, Kerala from 5<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> march 1999.
2. Actively participated as a women leader in the International workshop on “Active nonviolence& Peace training” for women leaders organized by the Swedish Ecumenical Group at Cochin in October 2001
3. Visited England on an invitation from “Christian Aid to speak on marginalized and women in India in 1998
4. Visited Switzerland on invitation from several international bodies in 1998
5. Visited Harare, Zimbabwe to attend the 7<sup>th</sup> assembly of “World Council of Churches”1999 to share the churches concern in development of youth and women in India
6. Visited Uppsala and Stockholm in Sweden on invitation from the Swedish mission council to speak on women and Human rights in 1997-98
7. Attended the global conference on “caste and descent based discrimination” sponsored by Oxfam, Ford foundation and other NGO’S at New Delhi march 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup>, 2001 organized by IMADER and NCDHR
8. Visited Switzerland as the member of the preparatory committee of the World conference against Racism in May –June 2001 held at the United Nations Head quarters at Geneva.
9. Participated at the World Conference Against Racism held at Durban, South Africa as lobbyist for women and other discriminated groups in August-September 2001
10. Visited Germany thrice on invitations from humanitarian bodies actively involved in the study of marginalized and women in the years 1998 and 2001 respectively
11. Visited France to speak on Women Rights in 2001.
12. Visited Ethiopia to speak on Human rights in 1998
13. Attended English teachers conference at LAD, Nagpur, 23rd-25<sup>th</sup> march 2000
14. Attended English teachers Conference at Mahila Mahavidyalaya katol in 2001
15. Participated in the COHSSIP seminar of English in 2001
16. Participated in seminar of University of Mumbai on: “understanding secularism in contemporary India” on 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> march2003



17. Participated in the national seminar of Bombay university English teachers association held at Thane on the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> January 2004
18. Participated in the international conference of English held in Mumbai on 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> feb 2004
19. Participated in the workshop held on “Impact of globalization on women” held on 7<sup>th</sup> march 2003 at the convocation hall, Mumbai under the auspices of the women development cell, Mumbai university
20. Participated in the national workshop on translation at the MS Baroda University Gujarat march 2005 organized by the Central institute of Indian and foreign languages, Mysore
21. Participated in the international conference on accumulation, dispossession, claims and counterclaims: Transformative cities in the new global order” organized by the university department of geography.2007
22. Participated in the International conference on Literature as Resistance organized by the university department of English, at Kalina campus on 2-4 Feb 2006
23. Participated in the workshop on translation organized by the department of English, at the W.R.I.C. Kalina campus.
24. Attended the National seminar on Multiculturalism organized by the department of Psychology at ICSSR, Kalina, march 2006
- 25 Participated in the national seminar on Sartre and Simone de Beauvoir organized by The University department of Philosophy at ICSSR on 20-21 march 2006
26. Participated in the International conference as rapporteur on Honor killings: Violence against women in south Asia organized jointly by the University department of Civics and Politics, Pakistan India people’s forum for peace (PIFPF) and Mahila Sarvangeen Utkarsh Mandal(MASUM) at ICSSR, Kalina on 9-10 Oct 2006
27. Participated in the International Dhamma Mahila Parishad as a resource person to speak on universal peace and Buddhism on 20-21 sept 2006 held at Nagpur
28. Participated in the International seminar on “Writing America: Intercultural dialogues between the US and Asia” on 22-24 August 2006 at American centre, Calcutta.
29. Participated at the World Literature festival organized by Shahir Amarshiekh Loknatya Kala Prabodhini on 23<sup>rd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> Oct 2008 in Mumbai
30. Participated in SAARC conference of writers and Intellectuals on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> April 2007 at New Delhi.
31. Participated in the North East and Western folklore Festival organized By the Sahitya Akademi on 11-12<sup>th</sup> Oct 2008 at Nagpur
32. Participated in the National Languages Summit organized by the Punjabi Sahitya Akademi in association with the Sahitya Akademi on 17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> January 2009 at Ludhiana.
33. Participated at the International Book fair at Moscow as part of the Sahitya Akademi’s Writers and scholars delegation to Russia and Istanbul from 30<sup>th</sup> August-12 Sept. 2009
34. Participated at the International conference on feminism organized at Gujarat vidyapeeth, Ahmedabad from 7<sup>th</sup> Dec-9<sup>th</sup>Dec.2009
35. Participated at, seminar cum writers meet on ‘why I write and how I write’ organized by Sahitya Akademi Delhi from 6<sup>th</sup> -7<sup>th</sup> Jan 2010
36. Participated at the UGC sponsored National conference on Literature of small cultures: Assertion of difference from 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> march 2010 at Khalsa College, Patiala

### **Teaching methods applied and other contributions**

1. Innovative ways and means employed to improvise on teaching techniques. Holding several interactive sessions in the class, and giving home assignments
2. Delivering lectures on the topic with complete background of the writer and the period giving notes and bibliography on the topic to be taught
3. Regularly encouraging seminar on topics along with queries from the students to enhance feedback from the students in relation to the topic
4. Giving prior notice of the topic, so as to enable the students to make a preliminary preparation and have a basic understanding of the topic
5. Engaging students in seminars, presentations, group discussions, and plenary sessions in classrooms on topics assigned from time to time
6. Use of audio visual aids esp. use of blackboard, power point presentations and videos
7. Student evaluation sheets regularly given to have feedback on improvisations.

Place:

Date:

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