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Teaching:

- Currently teaching: 'Gender and Society', 'Contemporary Feminist Theories' and 'Indian Diaspora Studies' for MA.

Previously taught:

- 'Introductory Sociology', 'Indian Social Institutions and Problems', and Social Psychology' at undergraduate level; 'Sociology of Indian Society',
- 'Theoretical Anthropology', 'Family, marriage and kinship', 'Sociological Theory' and 'Women Society and Culture' at M.A. and M.Phil. levels.

Areas of interest:

Gender and its interface with kinship, ageing, culture and identity, Indian diaspora and feminist methodology.

Publications:

Books:

2005 *Care, culture and citizenship: Revisiting the politics of the Dutch welfare state* (Co-Authors: Carla Risseuw, Rajni Palriwala and Kamala Ganesh), Het Spinhuis, Amsterdam.

1993 *Boundary Walls: Caste and Women in a Tamil community*, Hindustan Publishing Corporation, Delhi, (Series in Sociology and Social Anthropology edited by M.N.Srinivas and A.M.Shah)

Edited Books:

2008 *Zero Point Bombay: In and Around the Horniman Circle* Editors, Kamala Ganesh, Usha Thakker & Gita Chadha, Roli Books.

2005 *Culture and the making of Identity in Contemporary India* (editors: Kamala Ganesh and Usha Thakkar), Sage Publications, New Delhi:

2005 *Labour Movement in India 1937 – 1939 (Documents)* (Vols. 17 - 22) Editors: Manorama Savur and Kamala Ganesh, Pragati Publications in association with Indian Council of Historical Research, New Delhi

1998 *Negotiation and Social Space: A gendered analysis of marriage and kinship relations in sub Saharan Africa and South Asia*, Sage New Delhi (editors Carla Risseuw and Kamala Ganesh).

Articles in books:

2014 'From Sanskritic classicism to Tamil devotion: Shifting Images of Hinduism in Germany' in Ester Gallo (ed.) *Migration and Religion in Europe: Comparative perspectives on South Asian Experiences*, Ashgate: Burlington USA. (Forthcoming)

2014 'Healing Touch: Dr. V. Shanta's Journeys in Cancer Treatment and Care' Ch. 14 in Sumi Krishna and Gita Chadha (eds.) *Feminists and Science: Critiques and Changing Practices in India*. Stree: Kolkata (forthcoming)

2013 'New wine in Old Bottles? Family and Kinship Studies in the Bombay School', *Sociological Bulletin* (forthcoming).

2013 'Language, Identity and Diaspora: Two Examples and an Insight' in Andrea Bogner, Vibha Surana, Manjiri Paranjpe and Meher Bhoot (eds) *Inszenierte Mehrsprachigkeit: Konzepte und Kontexte. (Enacting Multilingualism: Concepts and Contexts)* (Bilingual volume in German and English), Transcript Publishing House: Bielefeld (forthcoming)

2013 'Tamils in Switzerland' (jointly with Christopher McDowell) in Peter Reeves (ed.) *Encyclopaedia of the Sri Lankan Diaspora*, National University Singapore: Editions Didier Millet.

2013, 'No Shri Ram in Lanka: Hinduism, Hindutva and Diasporic Tamils in Exile', 21st Smt. Nabadurga Banerji Endowment Lecture, The Asiatic Society of Mumbai, March 3, 2011, published in Arvind Jamkhedkar, N.B. Patil and K. Sankaranarayanan (eds), *Journal of the Asiatic Society of Mumbai*, Vol. 85, 22-27.

2013 'What Feminism means to me' *Research Centre for Women's Studies Newsletter*, SNDT Women's University, Vol. 34, no.1&2, 3-5.

2012 'Caste, Gender and Patriarchy: On the need for complicating our understanding', in Kranti Jejurkar et al (eds.) Gender and Caste: Interface and Issues, Women's Development Cell, University of Mumbai

2010 'Introduction: A self-made man and his times' (Co-authored with Sitapati Ganesh) In Thirumanilaiyur S. Subbarama Iyer, Karur: Memoirs of a Tahsildar in British India.

2012 'Socialisation and Gender Roles', Text for Unit 3, Course on Gender and Society, IGNOU, New Delhi.

2011 'Brahmanism in a globalizing world' in Werner Gephart, Hans Jurgen Findeis and Indra Munshi (eds.) India as a model of Inter cultural life (tentative title), Rawat Publishers, Jaipur (forthcoming).

2011 'Diaspora, A mirror to Indian Diversity? Caste, Brahmanism and the New Diaspora', in N.Jayaram (ed.) Diversities in the Indian Diaspora: Nature, Implications and Responses, Oxford University Press, Delhi, 173 - 190.

2010 'Beyond historical origins : Negotiating Tamilness in South Africa', Journal of Social Sciences Special issue edited by Anand Singh, Ravindra K Jain and Shobhita Jain, Kamala-Raj publishers, New Delhi, v. 25(1-2-3), 25 - 37

2009 'In search of the Great Indian Goddess: Motherhood Unbound' in Maithreyi Krishnaraj (ed.) Motherhood in India: Glorification without empowerment? Routledge India, New Delhi, pp. 73 – 105.

2009 'Ekaa vegalyaa pravaasaateel mahatvaachyaa dishaa: Leela Dube Yaanchya lekhaanaateel aashay sootra' in Leela Dube: Maanav shaastraateel lingabhaavaachi shodhamoheem: Parasparaannaa chedanaaree kshetrey, (Marathi) (tr. Vidyut Bhagwat), Diamond Publications, Pune, pp. 1 – 22. (Translation of 2001 publication marked *.)

2008 'Intra community dissent and dialogue: Bombay Parsis and the Zoroastrian Diaspora', Sociological Bulletin, Journal of the Indian Sociological Society, vol. 57, no. 3, Sept – Dec 2008, pp.n 315 – 336.

2008 'No growth without pain(s): Exploring the IAWS Archive for hindsight' in K. Ganesh (ed) op. cit. pp.28 – 37.

2008 'Beyond Orientalism? Not quite, not yet! The Asiatic Society of Mumbai' in K. Ganesh et al (ed.) op.cit. pp. 45 – 54.

2008 'The Horniman Circle Garden: A multivalent people-space' in K. Ganesh et al (eds.) op. cit., pp. 153 – 161.

2008 'Introduction: The intangible heritage of Horniman Circle' in K. Ganesh et al (eds.) op. cit., pp. 9 – 22.

2005 'Culture, welfare and everyday life: The articulation of state and society' Introduction (jointly by Kamala Ganesh, Rajni Palriwala and Carla Risseeuw) in Risseeuw et al, op cit., pp. 1 - 25.

2005 "Made to measure': Dutch elder care at the intersections of policy and culture" in Risseeuw et al, op. cit., pp 115-117.

2005 'Fields of culture: Conversations and contestations' Introduction in Ganesh and Thakkar(ed.) op cit., pp 13 - 38

2001 'Maps for a different journey: Introduction to the themes in the work of Leela Dube' in Leela Dube, *Intersecting fields: Chapters in the Anthropology of Gender* Sage New Delhi

2000 'Households and families: South Asia' Article no. 10 in Cheris Kramer and Dale Spender (ed.) *Routledge International Encyclopaedia of Women: Global Women's Issues and Knowledge*, Routledge London

2000 'Weaving a syncretic Baaj: The music of Abdul Halim Jaffer Khan' in Halim Jaffer Khan, *Jafferkhani Baaj: Innovation in Sitar Music* Published by Halim Jaffer Khan Mumbai

1999 'Patrilineal Structure and Agency of Women: Issues in gendered socialization' in T.S.Saraswathi (ed) *Culture, Socialization and Human Development: Theory, Research and Applications* Sage New Delhi

1998 'Gender and Kinship Studies in India: Issues in conceptualising patriliney ' in Carla Risseeuw and Kamala Ganesh (ed.) *Negotiation and Social Space* (op.cit)

1998 'Introduction: Gendered change in marriage and family: a policy concern?' (jointly with Carla Risseeuw), in Carla Risseeuw and Kamala Ganesh (ed) *Negotiation and Social Space* (op.cit.).

1997 'Etchings on a grain of rice' in Edith Sizoo (ed.) *Women's Life Worlds: Women's narratives on shaping their realities*. Routledge London, 21 - 38.

1993 'Breaching the walls of difference: Fieldwork and a personal journey to Srivaikuntam' in Diane Bell, Pat Caplan and Wazir Jahan Karim (ed.) *Gendered Fields: Women, men and ethnography*, Routledge, London. 1992 "Vellalas" in Paul Hockings (ed.) *Encyclopedia of World Cultures (South Asia)*, G.K.Hall, Boston.

Articles in Journals:

2002 'Dialogue through work and play : Notes on a peer (less) relationship ' Making waves: inspiring critical and feminist research. A tribute to Joke Schrijvers, Special issue of LOVA Journal for Feminist Anthropology, Vol. 23, no. 1 (Bulletin of the National Association for Women and Anthropology) Aksant. Amsterdam.

1995 'Feminism at the margins of anthropology' Economic and Political Weekly, Vol. XXX no. 34 Aug 26, 1995, pp. 2146 - 2148.

1994 'Feminist intervention in family law: Towards expanding and de-gendering care arrangements', Social Action, Vol. 44, Oct - Dec 1994, pp. 52 - 64.

1994 Gender between family and state (jointly with Carla Risseuw), VENA Women and Autonomy Centre, Special issue on Gender, Family and State, Vol. 6, no.1, June 1994, pp. 8 - 14. Also published in Economic and Political Weekly, Vol. XXVII, no. 43, Oct 23 1993, pp. 2332 - 36.

1990 'Mother who is not a mother: In search of the great Indian goddess', Economic and Political Weekly, Vol. XXV, No. 42/43, pp. WS 58 - 64

1989 'Crossing the threshold of numbers: The hierarchy of gender in the family in India' , Paper presented at the International Workshop on Women's Studies organised by the Indian Council of Social Science Research and Institute of Management in Government , Trivandrum April 26 - 29, 1989, Published in Indian Journal of Social Science, Vol. 7, nos 3 & 4, July - Dec, pp. 355 - 362.

1985 'Jajmani relations in Tirunelveli district: A case study of the Kottai Pillaimar 1839 – 1979', Indian Economic and Social History Review, vol. 22, no.2, pp.175 - 200.

Published in J. Krishnamurthy (ed.) Women in Colonial India: Essays on work, survival and the state. Oxford University Press, Delhi, 1989, pp. 52 - 77.

1985 'Seclusion of women and the structure of caste' Paper presented at the 'Women and the household: Regional conference for Asia, New Delhi. Published in Maithreyi Krishnaraj and Karuna Chanana (ed.), Gender and the household domain: Structural and cultural dimensions. Sage Publications, New Delhi, 1989, pp. 75 - 95.

1985 'State of the Art in Women's Studies', Economic and Political Weekly, Vol. XX, 16, pp.683 - 89.

1978 'Vellalas: A socio-historical perspective' Paper presented at the X International Congress of Anthropological and Ethnological Studies, New Delhi. Published in R.Nagawamy (ed.) South Indian Studies II, SAHER, Madras, pp. 47 - 58.

Professional Activities:

- Member, Steering Committee, Avabai Wadia Archives for Women, Research Centre for Women's Studies, SNDT Women's University.
- Member, Managing Committee, Indian Sociological Society
- Joint Secretary, Indian Association of Women's Studies 2005-2008
- Former Member of Advisory Committee, SPARROW (Sound and Picture Archives for Research on Women).

- Former Member of Advisory Committee, Centre for Women's Studies , Shivaji University, Kolhapur.
- Member of the Managing Committee, Asiatic Society of Mumbai 1995 - 2006 Joint Secretary 1997 - 98.
- Secretary, Commission on Women, International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences (IUAES) 1988 - 93

On-going Research Projects:

- Member, Group for Research on Indian Diaspora, University of Mumbai
- Member of Study Group set up by Ratan Tata Trust and Dorab Tata Trust to review the Asiatic Society of Mumbai.
- Establishing an archive for the Indian Association of Women's Studies in its silver jubilee year.
- Researching the relationship between Bombay Parsis and the Zoroastrian Diaspora