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### **Short-Bio**

Dr. Boopathi P is an Assistant Professor in the Department of English Studies, School of Social Sciences and Humanities, Central University of Tamil Nadu. His research interests include Literary and Cultural Disability Studies, Refugee Literature and Life Writing Studies. For his Doctoral Research completed at EFL University, Hyderabad, he studied the identity construction of Palestinians in the life narratives written by Palestinian refugees. Prior to his appointment at CUTN, he taught at Aligarh Muslim University for three years. He has published articles in journals and edited books that are of international repute and presented research papers in conferences both inside and outside India in his areas of research. He has been funded by New

Literary Observer, Moscow and European University at St. Petersburg, and German Historical Institute, Warsaw, Poland to present his research papers in their conferences. His research works have been published by renowned international publishers like Peter Lang, Routledge and Routledge Journal of Life Writing. He is one of very few scholars in the area of Disability Studies and Refugee Studies in India to introduce a specialized course titled “Literary and Cultural Disability Studies” and “Refugee Literature” respectively to Master students of English Literature. Dr. Boopathi is the Indian coordinator for prestigious the *Erasmus+ Programme - Learning mobility for higher education students and staff* with Siedlce University of Natural Sciences and Humanities, Poland. He is a member on the Editorial Board and Review Board of a few journals including International Journal of Whole Schooling published by University of Michigan Press. He is the chairperson of examination committee for Pondicherry University affiliated colleges for the MA English Program. He has delivered more than 50 invited talks in Conferences, Refresher Courses, Workshops, Certificate Courses, etc. organized by various universities and colleges in India. He welcomes proposals to work with on the life writing by the marginalized. He is particularly interested in the articulation of embodiment and experience of marginalized subjects in their various forms of life writing. The question that he seeks to explore in his research is how the life writing of marginalized emerged after 1980s tend to re-present the community at large. This shift in literary production, as he believes, re-configures the literary writings of the present millennium to be more of experiential rather than imaginative.

### Academic Qualifications

Course	University/ College/ School	Marks obtained	Division	Year
Ph.D. (English Literature)	EFL University, Hyderabad	-	-	2018
MA (English and Comparative Literature)	Pondicherry University, Puducherry	92.70%	Distinction	2014
BA (English)	Presidency College, Chennai	64.50%	First Class	2012

### **Specialization/Research Interests**

- Palestinian Literature with doctoral research and a few publications and paper presentations.
- Refugee Literature with paper presentations, publications and teaching experience in the Master's level.
- Disability Studies with a few publications, paper presentations and teaching experience in the Master's level.
- Life-Writing Studies with a few publications and paper presentations.
- Post-Colonial and Resistance Literature with a few publications.

### **Recognition and Awards**

- Conferred 'Nethrodaya Award of Eminence 2018' for being the role model in higher education among the disabled.

### **Fellowships Awarded**

- Qualified UGC-NET JRF in English in December, 2014
- Awarded National Fellowship for OBC Students for the year 2014-15
- Awarded Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship for Disabled Students for the year 2014-2015
- Awarded Meritorious Fellowship in master level for securing top rank in the class by Pondicherry University in 2013

### **Teaching Experience**

- Working as an Assistant Professor in the Department of English Studies, Central University of Tamil Nadu since October 2019.
- Worked as an Assistant Professor in the Department of English, Aligarh Muslim University from November 2016 to October 2019.

## **Current teaching Assignments**

- Indian Literatures in English Translation (core); Dalit Literature (core); Cultural Studies (core); Life Writing (core); Research Methodology for MA and PhD (core); Literary and Cultural Disability Studies (elective); Refugee Literature (elective)
- Courses Taught:
- Indian Writing in English (core); New Literatures I (core); Literature on Partition (elective)
- **International Collaborations**
- Dr. Boopathi is the Indian coordinator for prestigious the *Erasmus+ Programme - Learning mobility for higher education students and staff* with Siedlce University of Natural Sciences and Humanities, Poland.

## **New initiatives undertaken**

- Introduced a new interdisciplinary courses titled “Disability Studies and Literature for final year master students of English and ELT at AMU in AY 2017-2018.
- Introduced courses: Literary and Cultural Disability Studies and Refugee Literature at CUTN for MA English students from AY 2022-23.
- Organised a lecture series on disability, higher education and gender in India at AMU and CUTN with eminent scholars in Disability Studies in India from 2018(AMU) and 2020(CUTN).
- Organised a panel discussion on disability, education, rights and politics of representation at AMU in 2018.

## **Research Experience**

- Doctoral research “Catastrophe, Memory and Identity: Historicizing Resistance in the Select Palestinian Life Narratives” from the Department of English Literature, The English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad under the supervision of Dr.AparnaLanjewar Bose, 2014-18.
- Completed a project titled “Symbolic Resistance through Poetry: A Study of War-Symbols in Mahmoud Darwish’s *A Memory for Forgetfulness*”for the partial fulfillment

of M.A in English Literature from Department of English, Pondicherry University during 2012-14 under the supervision of Dr. LakhimaiMili.

### **Research Supervision**

### **Doctoral Dissertation:**

### **Awarded**

1. Mr. PB. Sharon: thesis title: “(Com)modification of the Human: A Posthumanist Reading of Select Speculative Fiction”, January 2023.

### **Ongoing**

1. Mr. Arun Abraham Varghese: Soviet Russian’ Children’s Literature
2. Ms. Devika T R: Feminist Disability Studies.
3. Ms. Jenisha T: Sri Lankan Refugee Narratives.

### **Master’s Dissertations Completed:**

1. Ms. Athulya Mariam Sam, Title: *Evolution and Appropriation of the Detective Genre in India: An Analysis of Select Detective Novels*, Year of completion: 2020.
2. Ms. Gangothri T S, Title: *Third Gender Lives, Identity and Culture: A Comparative Study of the Representation of Transgenders in the Select Life Narratives and Tamil Movies*, Year of completion: 2020.
3. Mr. Vijay Baskar A, Title: *Narrating Self, Spiritualizing Illness: A Study of ManishaKoirala’s Healed*, Year of completion: 2020.
4. Ms. Gowri J, title: *Navigating through Social Stigma and Corporeal Normativity: Exploring the Lives of ADHD Persons in the Select ADHD Life Narratives*, year of completion: 2021.
5. Ms. Oormila Devi, title: *Intersection of Sexuality, Religion and Disability: Locating Social Identity in Geetu Mohandas’s Moothon*, year of completion: 2021.
6. Ms. Sandra K Udayan, title: *Intersection of Caste, Sexuality and Masculinity: A Study of S.Hareesh’s Moustache*, year of completion: 2021.

7. Ms. Sreelakshmi R, title: *Autism as Experience : A Study of Autistic Culture in Tito RajarshiMukhopadhyay's How Can I talk if my lips Don't move? Inside my autistic Mind*, year of completion: 2021.
8. Ms. D. S. Amrutha, title: *Narrativizing Disability, Eradicating Deformity: Uncovering Normative Structure in Amish Tripathi's The Shiva Trilogy*, year of completion: 2022.
9. Ms. C. V. Keerthi, title: *Intersecting Gender and Religion: A Womanist Reading of Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie's Purple Hibiscus*, year of completion: 2022.
10. Ms. KM Liyana, title: *Identity, Ritual and Alternative Familial Structure: A Cultural Reading of The Truth About Me: A Hijra Life Story and I Am Vidya*, year of completion: 2022.
11. Mr. Mood Devendhar, title: *Culture, Gender and Identity: Documenting Teej Festival through Lambada Folksongs*, year of completion: 2023.
12. Ms. Rakhi K R, title: *Race, Gender and Sexuality: An Intersectional Analysis of Udalaazham by Unnikrishnan Aavala*, year of completion: 2023.
13. Mr. Selva Ganesh G, title: *Intersectionality of Ethnicity, Caste and Gender: An Analysis of Select Fiction on Tirunelveli Region*, year of completion: 2023.

## **Publications**

### **Articles in Journals**

- “Authoring Disability, Documenting Struggle: An Analysis of Naseema Huzruk’s *The Incredible Story*”. *Language in India*, Vol. 22:4, April. 2022. ISSN 1930-2940.
- “From Guerrilla Fighter to National Icon: Revisiting the Political Life of Yasser Arafat.” *New Literaria*, vol. 2, no. 1, Feb. 2021, pp. 21–28. DOI:[10.48189/nl.2021.v02i1.003](https://doi.org/10.48189/nl.2021.v02i1.003).
- “Review of Notes on the Flesh.” *Life Writing*, Sept. 2019, pp. 1–4. *Taylor and Francis+NEJM*, doi:10.1080/14484528.2019.1658264.
- “Theatricality in Arun Mukherjee’s Mareech the Legend.” *The Literary Herald*, vol. 1, no. 3, 2015, pp. 58-62. ISSN: 2454-3365. url-[http://www.tlhjournal.com/issues.php?issues\\_id=3](http://www.tlhjournal.com/issues.php?issues_id=3).

### **Chapters in Edited Volumes**

- “Intersecting Terrains of Personal and Politics: An Arab Feminist Reading of Fadwa Tuqan’s A Mountainous Journey.” *Writing Gender Writing Self: Memory, Memoir and Autobiography*, edited by AparnaLanjewar Bose, New York, Routledge, 2020. ISBN: 978-0-367-53449.
- Co-authored with K. Muruganandan “Creating an Accessible and Resilient Environment inside the Indian University.” *Disability and University:A Disabled Students Manifesto*, edited by Christopher McMaster and Benjamin Whitburn, New York, Oxford: Peter Lang, 2019. ISBN: 978-1433167805.
- “Politicizing Literature: the Birth of Resistance Literature.”*Literature and Society: Challenges and Prospects*, edited by Prayer Elmo Raj, New Delhi: Authorspress, 2016, pp. 134-154. ISBN: 978-93-5207-421-1.
- “The Pseudo Secular Portrayal of Gujarat Riots in Chetan Bhagat’s*The 3 Mistakes of My Life*.” *Writings on Rights: critical Essays on Literature and Human Rights* , edited by T. Marx and Muruganandhan K, Chennai: Harrows Publications, 2015, pp. 92-98. ISBN: 9383581190.

### **Articles in Conference Proceedings**

- “Identity and Organized Blind Movement: Contouring History of Disability Rights Movement in India.” Published in the form of Proceedings of the National Conference titled Blind in India: Arts, Culture and Activism Held on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2020, Chennai: AKS Books World, ISBN: 978-81-931407-3-4.
- “From Welfare State to Individualism: Neoliberalism and Blind in India.” Published in the form of Proceedings of the National Conference titled Empowerment and Future Challenges of the Visually Impaired Held on 1<sup>0th</sup> March 2019, Chennai: AKS Books World, pp. 174-186. ISBN: 978-81-931407-2-7.
- “Writing History through memory: A study of Jacob Nammar’s*Born in Jerusalem, Born Palestinian*.”Published in the form of Proceedings of the National Conference titled *Multidisciplinary Approach to Literature in English and English Language* held on 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> March 2015, ELK Asia Pacific Journals, pp. 5-10. ISBN: 978-81-930411-2-3.
- “Nature as Enigmatic: Preoccupation with the Grotesque in the Selected Poems of Walter de la Mare.” Published in the form of Proceedings of the International Conference titled

*Nature in the Perspectives of Tamil and English Writers* held on 11<sup>th</sup> Dec 2015, Coimbatore: Vijaya Publications, pp. 476-479. ISBN: 9788184467222.

- “Gaining Independence And Erudition: The Role of Screen-Reading Softwares In The Research Studies of The Visually Impaired.” Published in the form of Proceedings of the State Level Conference on accessibility for the visually impaired titled *Building an accessible Arena*, Chennai: New Horizon Private Limited, 2014, pp. 43-51. ISBN: 978-81-9289-313-6.

### **Articles Published in online Magazines/Blogs**

- “Disability and Higher Education in India: Retrospect and Prospects”, published in The Aligarh Magazine-Aligarh Muslim University for the session 2017-2018.
- “புகழஞ்சலி: ஜாவேத் அபிதி (1964-2018).” (Homage to JavedAbidi)published in Tamil, *Viralmozhiyar Online Tamil Magazine*, 27 March 2018. url- <https://viralmozhiyar.weebly.com/299030062992302129703021-2018/march-27th-2018>
- “State Against Revolutionary Singer Kovan: Growing Repression in Tamil Nadu.” *Roundtable India*, 21 November 2015. url- [http://roundtableindia.co.in/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=8406&catid=129&Itemid=195](http://roundtableindia.co.in/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=8406&catid=129&Itemid=195)

### **Translated works:**

- Translated with R. Tamilselvan an historic address: “Blindness: is Literature against Us?” by Kenneth Jernigan, President, National Federation of the Blind, USA into Tamil. The translation was published in the April 2023 issue of Ungal Noolagam, a UGC care-listed journal.

### **Papers Presented in Seminars/Conferences/Workshops**

#### **Paper Presentations in International Conferences (Outside India)**



- Presented a paper titled: “Between Life and Death: the Story of Aruna Shanbaug and Euthanasia Debate in India” in the International Conference on Circle of Life. Birth, Dying, and Liminality since the 19th Century organized by German Historical Institute, Warsaw, Poland on 01-02 September 2022. Travel and accommodation were covered by the conference organizers.
- Presented a paper title “Homeland, Exile and Diaspora: Narrating Palestinian Refugee Crises through Life Narratives” in the international conference on *Literary [Non-]Fiction in Times of Crisis* organized through online by the Department of English Literature and Literary Linguistics, Adam Mickiewicz University, Poland on 13-14 May 2021.
- Presented a paper titled “From Guerrilla Fighter to National Icon: Yasser Arafat as the Hero of Palestinian Resistance Movements” in the third annual International conference on *A Hero of Our Time: (Inter) national symbolic public figures and their cult in the age of (post) modernity*, jointly organized by the New Literary Observer Publishing House, Russia and the European University at St. Petersburg in Moscow on 01-03 June 2018. I was fully funded by the conference organizers to participate and present my paper in this reputed conference.

#### **Paper Presentations in National and International Conferences (Within India)**

- Presented a paper title “From Rights to Resistance: Notes on Protests of the Blind in Post-2010 Tamil Nadu” in The 2nd Indian Disability Studies Collective International Conference on Disability: Resistance, Disruption AND Transgression 29.11.21-3.12.21 organized in association with Guru AngadDev Teaching Learning Center, SGTB Khalsa College; Sri Guru TeghBahadurKhalsa College, Delhi University; Centre for Disability Research and Training, KMC; Kirori Mal College, Delhi University.
- Presented a paper titled “Narrating Struggle and Documenting Disability History: Reading NaseemaHuzruk’s The Incredible Story” in the International conference on *Moving Beyond the Margin: The Politics of Exclusion and Assimilation*, organized by the Department of English, Central University of Rajasthan on 15-16 November 2018.
- Presented a paper titled “Intersectionality of Caste, class and Gender: Some Reflections on Indian Disabled Life Narratives” in the International conference on *Interrogating*

*Disability Studies: Literature, Culture, Performance*, organized by the Department of English, University of Delhi on 21-23 February 2018.

- Presented a paper titled “Writing Behind the Bars: Encountering Patriarchal Domination and Authoritarian Oppression in Navel El-Saadawi’s *Memoirs from the Women’s Prison*” in the International conference on *New Feminist Writings: Emancipation to Representation*, organized by the Department of English, Pondicherry University in March, 2017.
- Presented a paper titled “Inclusive Exclusion: A Study of Inclusive Policies for the Disabled Students in Higher Educational Institutions” in the *Two Day International Seminar on Multicultural India: Inclusiveness and New Humanities*, organized by the Department of English, Pondicherry University in February, 2016.
- Presented a paper titled “Intersections of Identity, Gender, and Race: The Formation of Arab-American Female Selfhood in Najla Said’s *Looking for Palestine: Growing up Confused in an Arab-American Family*” in the Workshop on *Intersectionalities and Masculinities in Gender Studies*, organized by the Department of English Literature, EFL University, Hyderabad in February 2016.
- Presented a paper titled “The Pseudo Secular Portrayal of Gujarat Riot in ChetanBhagat’s *The 3 Mistakes of My Life*” in the *National Seminar on Literature and Human Rights*, organized by the Department of English, Pondicherry University in August, 2013.
- Presented a paper titled “Theatricality in Arun Mukherjee’s *Mareech the Legend*” in the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on *Ethno Poetic Expressions in Performing Arts*, organized by the Department of Performing Arts, Pondicherry University in April, 2013.

#### **Conferences/Seminars/Workshops/Webinars attended:**

- Participated in the Three-Day International Webinar on “Emerging trends in Literature and Film Studies” (26-28<sup>th</sup> August 2021 organized by the Department of English Studies, Central University of Tamil Nadu.
- Participated in the two-day international webinar on Diaspora, Gender and Marginality organized by the Department of English Literature, EFL University, Hyderabad on 26-27 September 2020.

- Attended an online summer school on Disability Studies organized by Center for Disability Studies, Gujarat National Law University from 08.08.2020-16.08.2020.
- Participated in the workshop titled “Global Southern Epistemologies,” organized by The Department of Comparative Literature of the School of Literary Studies in the English and Foreign Languages University (EFLU) in Hyderabad, India and the School of Languages, Cultures, Art History & Music at the University of Birmingham on 12-14 December 2018 at EFL University, Hyderabad. (*It was funded by British Academy and the Global Challenges Research Fund to participate in the workshop*).
- Participated in the Webinar Series on ‘History of Disability’, organized by Sirakoos University in January and February 2018.
- Participated in the two day workshop on Recent Trends in Critical Thinking and Research Methodology, organized by the Department of Indian and world Literature, EFL University, Hyderabad in March 2016.
- Participated in the two day workshop on Short Stories: Possibilities for Research and Creativity, organized by the Department of Indian and world Literature, EFL University, Hyderabad in August 2015.
- Participated in the one day Workshop on Cognitive Poetics, organized by the Department of English Literature, EFL University, Hyderabad in October 2014.

### **Orientation, Refresher, FDP and Short-Term Courses Attended**

- Completed an online Refresher Course in English organized by UGC-HRDC, Pondicherry University from 01.12.2021 to 14.12.2021.
- Completed A Seven-Day International Online FDP on Literary Studies in the New Millennium organized by the Department of English, Pondicherry University from 18<sup>th</sup> to 24 October 2021.
- Completed one week FDP through online mode on “Remapping the Indian Novel in English” organized by Kirori Mal College, University of Delhi in collaboration with Mizoram University, Aizawl from 21.06.2021 to 25.06.2021.

- Participated in the one day Faculty Development Program at Central University of Tamil Nadu organized by Prof.R.KarpagaKumaravel, Vice-Chancellor (officiating), CUTN on 30.03.2021.
- Completed an online refresher course on Human Rights organized by UGC HRDC, Aligarh Muslim University held from 03.09.2020 to 18.09.2020.
- Completed Orientation Program for Assistant Professors at UGC HRD Center, AMU held from 04.09.2018 to 01.10.2018.
- Attended the induction course for the newly appointed Assistant Professors of Aligarh Muslim University from 13/04/2017 -19/04/2017 at UGC-HRDC, AMU.

### **Invited Panellist/Delegate/Resource Person/Discussant/Respondent, etc**

Invited to deliver a lecture on “Disability Studies” in the Seven-day Professional Development Program on Emerging Trends in English Studies organized by the Department of English, Patrician College of Arts and Science, Chennai on 22-29 July 2023.

Invited to deliver two lectures: “Literary and Cultural Disability studies: a Theoretical Overview” and “Disability and Life Writing” in the online certificate course on Disability Studies from 1<sup>st</sup> June to 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023 organized by Department of Disability Studies, Arya Vidyapeeth College (Autonomous), Guwahati with academic support from Centre for Disability Research and Training, Kirori Mal College, University of Delhi and Shishu Sarothi, Guwahati.

- Invited to deliver a lecture titled “Research Methods in Literary Disability Studies” in the 2nd Edition of Online Summer School on Disability Studies on Research Methods in Disability Studies on 08 April – 14 April 2023 organized by Centre for Disability Studies, Gujarat National Law University, Gandhinagar.
- Invited to deliver a talk in the ICSSR sponsored Two-day National Seminar on Forgotten Warriors: Women Freedom Fighters of Tamil Nadu organized by the Department of English, St John’s College, Palayamkottai, Tamil Nadu on 29-30 March 2023.
- Invited to deliver a lecture in the Two-day Workshop on “Strategies for Writing Research Papers: Ethics and Publication” Organized by the Department of English, Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli on 23-24 March 2023.

- Invited to deliver a lecture on “Self, Memory and Marginality: Understanding the Genre of Life Writing” in the National Seminar organized by the Department of English, DR.R.K.Shanmugam College of Arts and Science, Kallakurichi, Tamil Nadu on 10.03.2023.
- Invited to be a resource person in the Faculty Development Program on “Academic Writing and Research Publication” organized by DR.R.K.Shanmugam College of Arts and Science, Kallakurichi, Tamil Nadu on 10.03.2023.
- Invited to deliver a lecture on “Historicizing Disability: Global and Local Contexts” in the *Three-day Workshop on “Emerging Trends in Historical Research and Publication Ethics* Organized by the Department of History, CUTN on 6-8 March 2023.
- Invited to deliver a special lecture on “My Journey towards Inclusion” by the Department of Education, CUTN on 02.03.2023.
- Invited to deliver a talk on “Towards an Inclusive Pedagogy: Reflections on Higher-education of the Disabled in India” in the webinar to celebrate International Day of Persons with Disabilities 2022 titled *A Dialogue on: Inclusion, Inclusive Pedagogy and Disability Studies in India (An Indian Perspective)* organized by the School of Education, Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Bihar on 03.12.2022.
- Invited to deliver a lecture on “Euthanasia in India: Religious, Legal and Ethical Implications” in the Refresher Course in English organized by Department of English in collaboration with UGC HRDC, Pondicherry University from 12<sup>th</sup> October to 25<sup>th</sup> October 2022.
- Invited to deliver a special lecture on “Dying with Dignity: Life, Death and Euthanasia Debate in India” in Research and Journal Alert Forum (RJAF), Department of English, Pondicherry University on 29.09.2022.
- Invited to deliver a special lecture on “Diaspora Literary Criticism” in the Department of Tamil, Central University of Tamil Nadu on 20.07.2022.
- Invited to deliver a lecture titled “Digitizing Disabled Self: Literature, Culture and Art” in the GIAN Course No. 194925G02, Digital Literatures and Literatures in the Digital organized by the Department of English, Aligarh Muslim University through online from 04-10 May 2022.

- Invited to deliver an online Guest Lecture on “‘Enforcing Normalcy’: Disability, Literature and Aesthetics” for PG students at the English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad on 28.04.2022.
- Invited to deliver two lectures on “Introduction to Literary Disability Studies” and “Introduction to Cultural Disability Studies” at Online Refresher Course in English organized by Department of English and Foreign Languages in association with UGC-HRDC, Bharathiar University, Coimbatore on 10-23 Nov 2021.
- Invited to deliver a talk on Reading Literature in the Contemporary Times in the One-Day Webinar organized by Department of English, Lakshmi Bangaru Arts and Science College, Melmaruvathur, Tamil Nadu on 11.10.2021.
- Invited to deliver a lecture on “Regionalizing Disability: Literature, Culture and Politics in Tamil Nadu” in the online Refresher Course in English organized by the Department of English, University of Madras in association with its UGC-HRDC on 14-27 September 2021.
- Invited to deliver a lecture on “Contemporary Trends in Literary Studies” in the One-Week online Workshop on Research Methodology organized by the Tamil Section of Department of Modern Indian Languages, Aligarh Muslim University on 13-18 September 2021.
- Invited as a panelist for the online session on Thamizhavan’s story “Pudikkatha Niram Poosappatta Police Van” organized by the Department of Tamil, Thiruvalluvar College, Papanasam, Tamil Nadu on 25.08.2021.
- Invited to deliver a talk on “From Individual Self to Collective Identity: Reflections on the Contemporary Forms of Life Narratives” in the one day webinar organized by the Department of English, Sir Theagaraya College, Chennai on 10.08.2021.
- Invited as a resource person for the One-Week International Workshop on Language through Literature for Post-graduate students of Master of Arts in English Language Teaching organized by the Department of Languages at Institute of Sciences, Humanities & Liberal Studies, Indus University, Ahmedabad held from 09.08.2021 to 14.08.2021.
- Invited to deliver an online lecture on “Politics of Popular Culture” as part of the inaugural lecture series of English Studies Association organized by the Department of

English and Media Studies, SreeAyyappaCollege ,Eramallikkara, Chengannur, Alappuzha District, Kerala on 14.06.2021.

- Invited to deliver a lecture on “from Representation to Re-presentation: Life Writings of the Disabled” in the certificate course on Disability Studies Organized by IQAC, Kirori Mal College, DU, in collaboration with Saksham on 03.03.2021.
- Invited to deliver two lectures on “Social Construct and Issues of Disability” on 20 and 21.02.2021 as part of the certificate course in Disability Studies organized through online by the Department of History, Ram LalAnand College, University of Delhi.
- Invited to deliver a lecture on “Current Trends in South Asian Literature” in the online Refresher Course in English organized by the Department of English in collaboration with UGC-HRDC, Pondicherry University on 08.01.2021.
- Invited to deliver a talk on “Cultural Disability Studies” as part of Cognizance 2020: A Multidisciplinary Webinar Series organized by IQAC and Department of English, SreeNarayana College, Punalur, Kerala on 26.12.2020.
- Invited to deliver a talk on “National Education Policy and Blind Perspective” in the webinar on “New Education Policy 2020 on Disabilities: Expectations, Assurances and Realities”, organized by the Center for Disability Studies, Gujarat National Law University on 03.12.2020.
- Invited to deliver a talk on “Place, Memory and Identity: Exploring Refugeehood in Transnational Space” in the three-day International E-Conference on *Re-Thinking the Postcolonial: Texts and Contexts* organized by New Literaria, An International Journal of Interdisciplinary Studies in Humanities in collaboration with Department of English, Assam University (A Central University), Silchar from 25-27 September 2020.
- Invited to deliver a keynote address on the topic: “Intersecting Impairment and Disability: Individual and Social Reflections” in the two-day national webinar on Soft Skill and Career Guidance: Training for the Visually Impaired organized by the Department of English and Foreign Languages, Bharathiar University on 12-13 September 2020.
- Invited to deliver a review of the book titled *Passions of the Tongue Language Devotion in Tamil India, 1891–1970* by SumathiRamaswamy through online organized by Tamil Section of Department of Modern Indian Languages, Aligarh Muslim University on 02.09.2020.

- Invited to deliver a talk on “Literary Disability Studies: from Representation to Re-Presentation” in the Al-Haj P K Kunju Sahib Memorial Webinar Series 2020-2021 organized by the P G Department of English in association with IQAC, Milad-E-Sherief Memorial College, Kayamkulam, Alappuzha, Kerala on 24.08.2020.
- Invited to deliver a lecture on “Comparison of situation during Covid-19 and pandemic times in different times during history – a historical perspective” in the online lecture series organized by CUTN NSS wing on 07.08.2020.
- Invited to deliver a talk on “National Public Policy Discourse on Inclusion and Disability Policies” Under Swami Vivekananda Series of Reflective Discourses for making India Self-Reliant Phase-II: Public Policy Discourse organized by School of Education, Mahatma Gandhi Central University, East Champaran, Bihar, in collaboration with School of Education & Training, Central University of Tamil Nadu, Thiruvarur and Department of Education, North-Eastern Hill University, Tura Campus, Tura, Meghalaya from 26.06.2020-30.06.2020.
- Invited to deliver a lecture on “Refugee Literature” in the Seven Day International E-Workshop on Contemporary Critical Trends in Literature organized by the Department of English, Pondicherry University from 22.06.2020-28.06.2020.
- Invited to deliver an online lecture on “Stuart Hall and Cultural Studies” organized by the Dept of English, V S K University, PG Centre, Koppal, Karnataka on 25.04.2020.
- Delivered a talk on “Constructing Fear through Ableism and Normativity: Exploring Power Relations in Disabled Selfhood” in the Forum of Contemporary Thought seminar series of Department of English Studies, CUTN held on 07.02.2020.
- Invited to deliver a talk on “Revisiting the Canon of Indian Literature: Language, Nationalism and Identity” in the one day national level conference on Representation of New Directions in Indian Literature organized by Bharathidasan University Model College, Vedaranyam, Tamil Nadu on 19.12.2019.
- Invited as a panelist for the panel discussion on Draft New Education policy-2019 organized by the Discussion Group, Department of English, AMU on 31.08.2019.
- Invited to deliver a plenary talk on “Disability Literature: from Pre-Determination to Self-Representation” in the Interdisciplinary National Seminar on Dimensions of



Disability Studies: Evolution and Prospects, organized by Rajdhani College, University of Delhi on 06.03.2019.

- Invited to conduct a session on Conversation in English for Yemeni students organized by Placement and Training Office, AMU on 21.01.2019 at Residential Coaching Academy, AMU.
- Invited to deliver a lecture on the topic “the Use of Technology for the Visually Impaired”, in the event organized by the Disability Unit, AMU to celebrate the International Day of People with Disabilities on 03.12.2018.
- Invited to Deliver a talk on Disability and Art in the event titled “Disability and Artistic Expression” organized by the 100000 Poets for Change, Aligarh in collaboration with Moinuddin Ahmad Art Gallery, Aligarh Muslim University on 06.10.2018.
- Delivered an Inaugural Address for the English Literary Club at Ashram Higher Secondary School, Karur, Tamil Nadu on 28-07-2018.
- Invited as the resource person for an interactive session with disabled students on computer literacy awareness program for visually impaired people by disability unit, AMU on 12.04.2018.
- Invited as a panelist to speak on Politics of Disability Representation: Society, Culture, and Literature in the panel titled “Disabled Literature: Creative Writing, Pedagogy, and Politics of Disability Representation” in the AMU Lit fest, organized by the literary club, AMU on 11.03.2018
- Invited to be a resource person for the workshop on inclusion and social justice on 09.02.2018 by IG Khan memorial trust. The workshop was conducted in collaboration with CEC, AMU.
- Invited for delivering a talk on Disability literature in the poetry reading session on the theme of disability organized by Hundred thousand poets for change in association with Hobbies club, AMU on 29.11.2017
- Invited for the panel discussion on “Disability: Education, Rights, and Representation in the Indian Context” organized by the discussion group at the Department of English on 28.11.2017 on the occasion of international day for people with disabilities.

### **Sessions Chaired in Seminars/Conferences/Workshops/Symposiums**

- Invited to chair a session on Kannada and Tamil Literature in the Young Researchers' Conference (21-22 January 2022) on Indian Literatures organized by Department of Languages, Presidency University, Bengaluru in collaboration with SahityaAkademi, New Delhi and Central Institute of Indian Languages, Mysuru.
- Invited to chair a session in the 2nd International E-Conference on "Contemporary Trends and development in Cultural Studies and the Humanities" organized by New Literaria- an international journal of Interdisciplinary Studies in Humanities in collaboration with Department of History, Humanities and Society, University of Rome Tor Vergata, Italy and Department of English, Guru GasidasVishwavidyalaya, Bilaspur, India on 22-24 October, 2021.
- Invited to chair two sessions: "The Aesthetics of Class, Caste and Resistance in Contemporary South Indian Movies" and "Cooking Covertly: Examining Food Politics and Culinary Hierarchies in India" in the Three-Day International Webinar on "Emerging trends in Literature and Film Studies" (26-28<sup>th</sup> August 2021 organized by the Department of English Studies, Central University of Tamil Nadu.

### **Works in Progress**

- Documenting the history of Disability Rights Movements in South India.  
Monograph on Palestinian Refugee Narratives.

### **Conferences/Workshops/Webinars/Invited Talks Organized**

- Coordinated with Dr. K. Jawahar, Department of Tamil a Three-Day Workshop on Communicative Skills in Tamil Language to Non-Tamil Students jointly organized by Departments of Tamil and English Studies, CUTN in collaboration with Bharatiya Bhasha Samiti, Ministry of Education, GOI on 15-17 December 2022.
- Coordinated One Day Symposium on *Mainstreaming the Disabled: Inclusion, Accessibility and Equity* to celebrate International Day of Persons with Disabilities-2022 Organised by Enabling Unit for PWD in association with Department of English Studies, CUTN on 13.12.2022.

- Organized a Two-day informative lecture series on fellowship opportunities in English and Cultural Studies in foreign countries with Dr. B. J. Geetha, Associate Professor, Department of English Studies, CUTN on 01.03.2022 and 07.03.2022.
- Jointly organized An International Webinar Series on Voices from the Margin: Conversation with Contemporary Creative Writers (01-11 February 2022) with Dr. K. Jawahar, Department of Tamil, CUTN.
- Organized a Three-day ICPR Sponsored National Webinar (24-26 Nov 2021) with Dr. K. Thangapandian of Department of History, CUTN on Emerging Trends in Indian and Western Philosophy to celebrate World Philosophy Day.
- Organized an online special lecture on History of Disability Rights Movement in India in collaboration with the Department of History to celebrate International Day of Persons with Disabilities on 22.12.2020 at CUTN.
- Organized an online Panel Discussion on Disability: Society, Gender and Higher-Education in Indian Context to celebrate International Day of Persons with Disabilities on 22.12.2020 at CUTN.
- Organized a three-day E-Workshop on Cultural Studies with my colleague Dr. PunnyaRajendran on 21.09.2020-23.09.2020. The workshop featured resource persons drawn from various universities and institutions in India who discussed emerging areas in Literary and Cultural Studies.

### **Administrative Responsibilities**

- Appointed as the coordinator of Enabling Unit for disabled students and staff members at CUTN.

### **Membership of Boards/Committees of Journals**

- Editor of Indian Journal of Language and Linguistics - <https://journals.asianresassoc.org/index.php/ijll>
- Member, Editorial Review Board, *International Journal of Whole Schooling*, a peer-reviewed international online journal published by University of Michigan Press. ([http://www.wholeschooling.net/Journal\\_of\\_Whole\\_Schooling/IJWSIndex.html](http://www.wholeschooling.net/Journal_of_Whole_Schooling/IJWSIndex.html))

- Member, Editorial Board, *The Text*, An International Peer Reviewed Online Journal of Language, Literature and Critical Theory - <http://thetextjournal.com/index>.
- Member, Peer-Review Board, Networking Knowledge - Journal of the MeCCSA Postgraduate Network - <https://www.meccsa.org.uk/networks/postgraduate-network/>

### **Membership of Various Committees/Boards**

- Member in the National Education Policy Implementation Committee at CUTN.
- Member in the Committee for Opening and Evaluation of the Technical and Financial Bids of the Tender for Supply and Installation of Equipment for Assistive Technology Centre for the visually challenged.
- Invited to frame the syllabus titled “English for Communicative Skills” for B. Voc course in the Department of Horticulture, CUTN.
- Member in the syllabus committee at the Department of English, AMU for framing following papers for bachelor and master level:
  1. Literature of the Marginalized
  2. New Literatures
  3. Indian Literature in Translation
  4. Life writing Studies.
- Member, the Committee for the Establishment of Assistive Technology Centre for the Visually Impaired Students at Maulana Azad Library, AMU, 2018.
- Member in the syllabus revision committee in the Department of English Studies, CUTN and revised many papers both core and elective.
- Member in the committee for purchasing equipments for establishing assistive technology center in the central library of Central University of Tamil Nadu.
- Convener of the Department committee for the scrutiny of applications from foreign nationals for PG admission -2022-23 academic year.
- Member, Report Writing Committee, Convergence 2022, Two-day National Conference on Faster and Smoother Implementation of National Educational Policy (NEP-2020) organized by Central University of Tamil Nadu on 27-28 May 2022.
- Member, PhD admission committee, Department of English Studies AY 2022-23.

- External member, Doctoral Committee for Lisin Tharania A, PhD Research Scholar, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Madras.
- Member in the Technical Committee for DACE at CUTN.

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Date: 21.08.2023