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## **Academic Qualifications –**

- 1. Ph.D. (Sanskrit), 2010, University of Delhi, Delhi, India. Thesis Title "शतपथ एवं तैत्तिरीय ब्राह्मण में प्रतिपादित ज्योतिष के तत्त्व"
- 2. M.A. (Sanskrit), 2005, Hindu College, University of Delhi, Delhi, India.
- 3. B.A (Sanskrit (Hons)), 2003, Maitreyi College, University of Delhi, Delhi, India.
- 4. High school with Commerce & Maths as main subjects, 2000, SDPS, Delhi, India.

## Awards and Distinctions –

- Stood first in college and third in South Campus, University of Delhi in B.A. (Honors) Sanskrit 1<sup>st</sup> year. (Got Award from Delhi University's VC Prof. Deepak Nayyar)
- 2. Stood **first** in college and **Second** in South Campus, Delhi University in B.A. (Honors) Sanskrit 3<sup>rd</sup> year. (Got Award from Delhi's Chief Minister Mrs. Sheila Dikshit)
- 3. Received Sanskrit Pratibha Puruskar from Delhi Sanskrit Academy in 2001 & 2005.
- 4. Received Dr. Prabhu Dayal Agnihotri Memorial **Award** for **Best Performance** in Veda Section of 44<sup>th</sup> session of All India Oriental Conference, Kurukshetra, 2008.
- 5. Received **Scholarships** from Delhi Sanskrit Academy, Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan.
- 6. Received Late Smt. Kasturi Devi Gupta Memorial **Award** as **Encouragement Prize** for outstanding research paper in Waves 16<sup>th</sup> India Conference, Delhi, 20**12**.
- 7. Received Late Smt. Chandravati Sharma Memorial **Award** as **Second Prize** for outstanding research paper in Waves 17<sup>th</sup> India Conference, Lucknow, 20**13**.

### **Publications -**

## Book

1. 'यजुर्वेदीय ब्राह्मणों में ज्योतिष के तत्त्व', Pratibha Prakashan, Delhi, 2013, pp. XX+532 (ISBN: 978-81-7702-317-6)

#### Research Papers in Books

- 1. 'The Creation of Universe and its Sustaining Principles: In reference to the Satapatha Brahmana', in '*Creation and Existence in Indian Tradition*', Edited by Dr. Shashi Tiwari, Pratibha Prakashan, **Delhi**, 20**11**, pp. 82-92 (**ISBN**: **978-81-7702-252-0**)
- 2. 'हड़प्पा सभ्यता और शतपथ ब्राह्मण : इष्टिका, यज्ञ-वेदी और अन्त्यकर्म के सन्दर्भ में', in 'Harappan Civilization & Vedic Culture', Edited by Dr. Shashi Tiwari, Pratibha Prakashan, **Delhi**, 20**10**, pp. 252-258 (**ISBN** : **978-81-7702-222-3**)

### Research Papers in Journals

1. 'ईशावास्योपनिषद् में वर्णित जीवन-दर्शन का भारतीय संस्कृति में योगदान', in 'Shodha-Pragya' Edited by Prof. Mahavir Agarwal, Uttarakhand Sanskrit University, **Haridwar** (Uttarakhand), Dec-20**15**, pp. 48-54 (**ISSN**: **2347-9892**)

- 2. 'वेदों में वर्णित वनस्पित सम्पदा की बहुआयामी उपादेयता' in '*Vaidika Vag-Jyotih*', Edited by Prof. Dinesh Chandra Shastri, Gurukula Kangri Vishwavidyalaya, **Haridwar** (Uttarakhand), Vol. 2-5, Jan 20**14** Dec 20**15**, pp. 170-176 (**ISSN**: **2277-4351**)
- 3. 'वेदकालीन पत्नी का भारतीय संस्कृति में योगदान', in 'Vedajjyotishmati' Edited by Prof. Hansdhar Jha, Sanskrit Anusandhan Sansthan, Darbhanga (Bihar), Vol. IV, pp. 15-18, (ISSN: 2349-3100)
- 4. 'Counting System of Numbers in Yajurveda with Special Reference to Taittirīya School' in '*Shodha-Pragya*' Edited by Prof. Mahavir Agarwal, Uttarakhand Sanskrit University, **Haridwar** (Uttarakhand), June-20**15**, pp. 209-212 (**ISSN**: **2347-9892**)
- 5. 'Sanskrit-Distance Education in Modern Context with Special Reference to Vedic Education System' in '*Jahnavi*' (E-Journal), Edited by Dr. Sadanand Jha, Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, Ved Vyas Campus, **Himachal Pradesh**, Issue 18<sup>th</sup>, Vol. V, May-20**14**, pp. 34-38 (**ISSN**: **976-8645**)
- 6. 'शतपथ ब्राह्मण में अंक-विमर्श : एक विश्लेषण' in 'Vaidika Vag-Jyotih', Edited by Prof. Dinesh Chandra Shastri, Gurukula Kangri Vishwavidyalaya, **Haridwar** (Uttarakhand), Vol. 1, Jan-June 20**13**, pp. 55-61 (**ISSN**: **2277-4351**)
- 7. 'वास्तु-निर्देश: यजुर्वेदीय ब्राह्मणों के सन्दर्भ में', in 'Sanskrit-Vimarsh', Edited by Prof. A.P. Sachidananda, Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, **New Delhi**, 20**13**, Volume-8, pp. 162-177 (**ISSN: 0975-1769**)
- 8. 'Yajnavalkya Maitreyi Dialogue in Brihadaranyaka Upanishad : A Model for Thought Communication', in '*Vaidika Vag-Jyotih*', Edited by Prof. Dinesh Chandra Shastri, Gurukula Kangri Vishwavidyalaya, **Haridwar** (Uttarakhand), Vol. 1, July-Dec. 20**12**, pp. 188-196 (**ISSN**: 2277-4351)
- 9. 'यजुर्वेदीय-ज्योतिषपरक शब्दावली का लोकप्रचलन', in 'Vaidika-Jyotih', Edited by Prof. Dinesh Chandra Shastri, Gurukula Kangri Vishwavidyalaya, **Haridwar**, Vol. 1, July-Dec. 20**11**, pp. 97-104 (**ISSN**: **2277-4351**)
- 10. 'ऋतु-विज्ञान : शतपथ ब्राह्मण के सन्दर्भ में', in 'Sanskrit-Vimarsh', Edited by Prof. Radha Vallabh Tripathi, Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, **New Delhi**, 20**11**, Volume-5, pp. 178-190 (**ISSN**: **0975**)
- 11. 'यजुर्वेदीय ब्राह्मण ग्रन्थों में खगोल-विद्या', in 'Gurukul-Shodh-Bharti', Edited by Prof. Gyan Prakash Shastri, Shradhanand Vedic Shodh Sansthan, Gurukula Kangri Vishwavidyalaya, **Haridwar** (Uttarakhand), October-20**10**, pp. 55-64 (**ISSN**: **0974-8830**)
- 12. 'यजुर्वेद की संहिताओं एवं ब्राह्मणों में मास विचार', in 'Shodh-Prabha', Edited by Prof. Ramesh Kumar Pandey, Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha, Deemed University, New Delhi, July-2009, pp. 84-93 (ISSN: 0974-8946)
- 13. 'वैदिक कर्म-मीमांसा : शतपथ ब्राह्मण के सन्दर्भ में', in 'Gurukul Patrika', Edited by Prof. Mahavir, Gurukula Kangri Vishwavidyalaya, **Haridwar**, April to June-20**09**, pp. 46-51

#### Articles

- 1. 'मकरसंक्रान्ति, लोहडी और पोंगल पर्व', on Vedic WAVES blog.
- 2. 'वैश्विक एकता में पत्नी का योगदान', in 'Veda-Savita', Edited by Dr. Pravesh Saxena, Veda Sansthan, **Delhi**, August issue, 20**15**, pp. 20-21
- 3. 'कर्म-प्रशंसा', in 'Sanskrit Chandrika', Edited by Dr. Jeetram Bhatt, Delhi Sanskrit Academy, **Delhi**, August-December issue, 2014, pp. 23-24 (ISSN: 2347-1565)

- 4. 'राष्ट्र-निर्माण और अहिंसा', in 'Veda-Savita', Edited by Dr. Pravesh Saxena, Veda Sansthan, **Delhi**, August issue, 20**14**, pp. 15-17
- 5. 'स्वाध्याय की महत्ता', in '*Veda-Savita*', Edited by Dr. Pravesh Saxena, Veda Sansthan, **Delhi**, August issue, 20**12**, pp. 60-63

#### Edited work

- 1. **Summary of papers** of the WAVES 19th, 18th, 17th, 16th India Conferences held in year 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012.
- 2. Since 2007 Assistant Editor in WAVES for reports, newsletter, souvenir etc.

# **Paper-Presentations -**

## **Conferences**

#### International

- 1. 'Counting System of Numbers in Yajurveda with Special Reference to Taittirīya School', in an International Sanskrit Conference, Delhi Sanskrit Academy, **Delhi**, 20**13** (23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> August).
- 2. 'Sources of Vedic Economy in the Brahmanas of Yajurveda', in an International Conference, Mohan Lal Sukhadia University, **Udaipur** (Rajasthan), 20**13** (15<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> February).
- 3. 'तिथि-निर्देश: यजुर्वेदीय ब्राह्मणों के सन्दर्भ में', in Second World Veda Conference, Maharshi Sandipani Rashtriya Veda Vidya Pratishthan, **Ujjain** (Madhya Pradesh), 20**12** (4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> November).
- 4. 'Yajnavalkya Maitreyi Dialogue in Brihadaranyaka Upanishad : A Model for Thought Communication' in International Vedic Conference & 15<sup>th</sup> India Conference of WAVES, Dev Sanskriti University, **Haridwar** (Uttarakhand), 20**12** (14<sup>th</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> March).
- 5. 'Vedic Botany and Ethnobotany in the Brahmanas of Yajurveda: Some Observations' in 15<sup>th</sup> World Sanskrit Conference, Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, **Delhi**, 20**12** (5<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> January).
- 6. 'यजुर्वेदीय-ज्योतिषपरक शब्दावली का लोकप्रचलन' in International Sanskrit Research Conference, Uttarakhand Sanskrit University, **Haridwar** (Uttarakhand), 20**11** (9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> September).
- 7. 'यजुर्वेदीय ब्राह्मण ग्रन्थों में खगोल-विद्या', in World-Veda-Conference, Gurukula Kangri Vishwavidyalaya, **Haridwar** (Uttarakhand), 20**09** (20<sup>th</sup>-22nd November).
- 8. 'शतपथ ब्राह्मण में प्रतिपादित कर्मशीलता : महत्त्व एवं स्वरूप', in WAVES 11<sup>th</sup> International-India Conference, **Vrindavan** (Uttar Pradesh), 20**07** (14<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> December).

#### National

- 1. 'यजुर्वेदीय ब्राह्मणों में वर्णित नक्षत्र–ज्ञान का कर्मकाण्डीय महत्त्व', in All India Sanskrit Conference, Delhi Sanskrit Academy, **Delhi**, 20**16** (28<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> March).
- 2. 'यजुर्वेदीय ब्राह्मणों में अध्यात्मपरक वैज्ञानिक सन्दर्भ' in WAVES 19<sup>th</sup> India Conference, **Delhi**, 20**15** (27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> November).

- 3. 'मरणोत्तर-शान्ति हेतु वास्तु-विषयक वैदिक विधि विधान की उपादेयता : शतपथ ब्राह्मण के सन्दर्भ में', in Three Day All India Vedic Conference, Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha, **Delhi**, 20**15** (18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> March).
- 4. 'वेदकालीन पत्नी का भारतीय संस्कृति में योगदान', in Three Day All India Sanskrit Vidushi Conference, Delhi Sanskrit Academy, **Delhi**, 20**15** (27<sup>th</sup> February -1<sup>st</sup> March).
- 5. 'तैत्तिरीय ब्राह्मण में वर्णित सृष्टि-विषयक दार्शनिक आख्यान', in WAVES 18<sup>th</sup> India Conference, **Varanasi** (Uttar Pradesh), 20**14** (15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> November).
- 6. 'शतपथ ब्राह्मण में समाजपरक नैतिक अवधारणा', in WAVES 17<sup>th</sup> India Conference, **Lucknow** (Uttar Pradesh), 20**13** (22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> November).
- 7. 'यजुर्वेदीय ब्राह्मणों में कालतत्त्व-निरूपणार्थ प्रयुक्त मानवीकरण', in WAVES  $16^{th}$  India Conference, **Delhi**, 20**12** ( $24^{th}$ - $26^{th}$  December).
- 8. 'शतपथ ब्राह्मण में अंक-विमर्श : एक विश्लेषण', in 46<sup>th</sup> Session of All India Oriental Conference, University of Kashmir, **Srinagar** (J & K), 20**12** (1<sup>st</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> October).
- 9. 'वास्तु-निर्देश : यजुर्वेदीय ब्राह्मणों के सन्दर्भ में', in 45<sup>th</sup> Session of All India Oriental Conference, Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha, **Tirupati** (Andhra Pradesh), 20**10** (2<sup>nd</sup>- 4<sup>th</sup> June).
- 10. 'The Creation of Universe and its Sustaining Principles: In reference to the Satapatha Brahmana', in WAVES 13<sup>th</sup> India Conference, **Delhi**, 20**09** (24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> December).
- 11. 'हड़प्पा सभ्यता और शतपथ ब्राह्मण : इष्टिका, यज्ञ-वेदी और अन्त्यकर्म के सन्दर्भ में', in WAVES 12<sup>th</sup> India Conference, **Delhi**, 20**08** (24<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> December).
- 12. 'यजुर्वेद की संहिताओं एवं ब्राह्मणों में मास विचार', in 44<sup>th</sup> Session of All-India Oriental Conference, **Kurukshetra** (Haryana), 20**08** (28<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> July).
- 13. 'यजुर्वेदीय ब्राह्मण ग्रन्थों में सांस्कृतिक चेतना', in WAVES  $10^{th}$  India Conference, **Delhi**, 2006,  $(15^{th}-17^{th}$  December).

#### Seminars

- 1. 'यजुर्वेदीय ब्राह्मणों में पर्यावरण की परिकल्पना', in XX Kalidasa Mahotsava and National Research Seminar, Bharati College, University of Delhi, **Delhi**, 20**16** (13<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> Feb.).
- 2. 'ईशावास्योपनिषद् में वर्णित जीवन-दर्शन का भारतीय संस्कृति में योगदान', in National Seminar, Sanskrit Department, Hindu College, University of Delhi, **Delhi**, 20**15** (22<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> April).
- 'कालतत्त्वों का मिथकीय स्वरूप : यजुर्वेदीय ब्राह्मणों के सन्दर्भ में', in National Seminar, Sanskrit Department, Lakshmibai College, University of Delhi, Delhi, 2015 (25<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> March).
- 4. 'वेदों में वर्णित वनस्पति सम्पदा की बहुआयामी उपादेयता', in National Vedic Seminar, Gurukula Kangri Vishwavidyalaya, **Haridwar** (Uttarakhand), 20**15** (13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> March).
- 5. 'Sanskrit-Distance Education in Modern Context with Special Reference to Vedic Education System' in दिवसत्रयव्यापिनी राष्ट्रिया संगोष्ठी, Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, **Delhi**, 20**13** (1<sup>st</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> January)
- 6. 'आधुनिक पंजाबी भाषा में प्राकृत की भाषिक एवं शाब्दिक परम्परा' in Rashtriya Prakrit Seminar, Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha, **Delhi**, 20**12** (10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> May).

- 7. 'ऋतु-विज्ञान : शतपथ ब्राह्मण के सन्दर्भ में', in National Sanskrit Seminar, Dayalbagh Educational Institute, Dayalbagh, **Agra** (Uttar Pradesh), 20**10** (10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> April).
- 8. 'शतपथ एवं तैत्तिरीय ब्राह्मण ग्रन्थ : एक खगोलशास्त्रीय अध्ययन', in National Seminar, Sanskrit Literary Society, Lakshmibai College, University of Delhi, **Delhi**, 20**10** (4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> March).
- 9. 'नक्षत्र-विश्लेषण : शतपथ एवं तैत्तिरीय ब्राह्मणों के सन्दर्भ में', in Sanskrit Department, University of Delhi, **Delhi**, 20**08** (26<sup>th</sup> February).

## **Poster-Presentations -**

 'आधुनिक राजनीतिक व्यवस्था का वेदान्तिक प्रजातंत्रीय समाधान', in 22<sup>nd</sup> International Congress of Vedanta, Jawaharlal Nehru University, **Delhi**, 20**15** (27<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> December)

# Conferences/Seminars/workshops attended (apart from presentations)-

- 1. Workshop on 'वेदिवज्ञानम्' organized by Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, Delhi, 20**13** (11<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> July).
- 2. Almost every lecture, symposium, seminar etc organized by WAVES.

# Work Experience -

## Position Held

- 1. Joined as Project Fellow on 18<sup>th</sup> Aug., 20**10** till 16<sup>th</sup> Sept., 20**10** in **Bhasha Mandakini** Project on **contractual basis** in **Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan**, Janakpuri, New Delhi
- 2. Since 17<sup>th</sup> Sept., 20**10** to 30<sup>th</sup> Sep., 20**13** as **Project Coordinator** on **contractual basis** with **Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan** (Accredited by NAAC with 'A' Grade), Janakpuri, New Delhi.
- 3. Engaged Exclusively for Annual Report- 2012-2013 of **Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan** from 11<sup>th</sup> Oct., 2013 to 25<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2013.
- 4. Since 26<sup>th</sup> Nov., 20**13** to 26<sup>th</sup> Nov., 20**14** as **Consultant (Admn.)** on **contractual basis** with **Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan**, Janakpuri, New Delhi.
- 5. As Guest **Lecturer** from 9<sup>th</sup> Feb, 20**15** to 26<sup>th</sup> Mar, 20**15** in Sanskrit Department, Kalindi College, **University of Delhi**, New Delhi.
- 6. As an **Assistant Professor** at the Institute of Advanced Sciences, Dartmouth, MA. Currently based in India for a year commencing on 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2015 till date.

### As Organizing Committee Member

- 1. **15**<sup>th</sup> **World Sanskrit Conference.** Handled every type of work for 15<sup>th</sup> World Sanskrit Conference, 20**12** (5<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> Jan) held **smoothly** in New Delhi with **global** participation under Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan.
- 2. Since 2006 till date associated with various organizing and /or program committees of conferences, seminars, lectures organized by WAVES.

## As Advisory Board Member

1. Advisory Board member in 'Vaidika Vag-Jyotih' an international refereed research journal on Vedic studies (ISSN: 2277-4351) published by Gurukula Kangri Vishwavidyalaya, Haridwar (Uttarakhand).

### As Moderator

- 1. One of the sessions held at **WAVES 19<sup>th</sup> India Conference**, Delhi, 20**15** (27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> November).
- 2. One of the sessions held at **WAVES 16<sup>th</sup> India Conference**, Delhi, 20**12** (24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> December).
- 3. One of the sessions held at **Rashtriya Prakrit Seminar**, Delhi, 20**12** (10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> May).
- 4. 'Relevance of Sanskrit in Day to Day Life' lecture held at **Delhi Sanskrit Academy**, Delhi, organized jointly by WAVES and Delhi Sanskrit Academy on 20**11** (11<sup>th</sup> June).

### As Editorial Board Member

- 1. Assistant Editor in WAVES.
- 2. Executive Editor for WAVES Blog "Vedic Waves".
- 3. One of the editors in E-Journal "Praachi Prajnaa" (ISSN 2348-8417) (during year 2014)

# Membership of a Learned Body -

- 1. Honorary Joint Secretary with Wider Association for Vedic Studies {WAVES (India)}
- 2. Life member of WAVES (India)
- 3. Life member of All-India Oriental Conference, Bhandarkar Oriental Research Iinstitute, Pune