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**Area of Specialization:** \* Political Philosophy,  
\*Political Theory,  
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\* North East Studies  
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**Educational Qualification:**

Course	University	Subject	Year
PhD	Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi	Political Science	2013
MPhil	Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi	Political Science	2007
MA	Delhi University, Delhi	Political Science	2005
BA	Bangalore University, Bangalore	Political Science	2003

- (i) University Grants Commission: National Eligibility Test (NET),
- (ii) Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship (RGNF)

**PUBLICATIONS**

**Books Authored:**

- 1) **Christianity and De-politicization of Naga Movement** (New Delhi: Akansa Publishing House, 2014).
- 2) **Religious Politics and Search for Indigeneity: A Study of Donyi-Polo Movement in North East India** (New Delhi: Akansa Publishing House, 2014).
- 3) **India's Foreign Policy in the Contemporary Era**, Co-authored (New Delhi: Ruby Publishing House, 2014).

### **Peer Review Article in Journal**

Published:

- 1) 'Cultural Positioning of Tribes in North-east India: Mapping the Evolving Heraka Identity', *Economic & Political Weekly*, January 5, 2013 VOL XLVIII NO 1.
- 2) 'Church and Political Engagement in Naga Society: A Critical Perspective', *Man and Society: A Journal of North-East Studies*, Published by **Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR)**, North Eastern Regional Centre, Shillong, Volume IX, Winter 2012.
- 3) 'Hindutva Protagonists and Religious Reform Movements in North East India: Negotiating Religious and Cultural Boundaries', *Journal of the Indian Anthropological Society*, (An International Journal) Volume 48, Number 2, July 2013.
- 4) 'Civil Societies and Naga's Peace Process in Northeast India', *Man and Society: A Journal of North-East Studies*, Published by **Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR)**, North Eastern Regional Centre, Shillong, Volume XII, Summer 2015.

### **Book Chapter Published:**

- (1) Indian State and Ethnic Conflict in North East India: Mapping Human Security.
- (2) Religious Reform and Sacralisation of Space: A Study of Heraka Movement in North East India.

### **Seminar/Conference/Workshop Organized**

- 1) Coordinator of the Two Day National Seminar on "**Democracy, Ethnicity and Governance in North East India**" (17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> September, 2015) at Tribal Research Institute, Imphal, Manipur, sponsored by **Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR)**, New Delhi.
- 2) Coordinator of the Two Day National Seminar on "**Civil Society and Democracy in North East India**" (5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> August, 2014) at Indira Gandhi National Tribal University,

Regional Campus, Manipur, sponsored by **Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR)**, New Delhi.

- 3) Coordinator of the One Day National Seminar on “**Manipur Hills Today: Education, Economy, Social and Political Status**” (15<sup>th</sup> March 2014) at Indira Gandhi National Tribal University, Regional Campus, Manipur.
- 4) Co-coordinator of the Two-Day National Seminar on “*Immigration Problems in North East India: Its Socio-Economic Impacts*” (7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2013) organized by the Department of Political Science, Indira Gandhi National Tribal University, Regional Campus, Manipur.
- 5) Co-coordinator of the Two-Day National Seminar on “*India’s Foreign Policy: Continuity and Change*” (16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2012) organised by the Department of Political Science, Indira Gandhi National Tribal University, Regional Campus, Manipur at Conference Hall, Tribal Research Institute, Manipur.

### **Chairing Seminar**

- 1) Chaired a session at the Two Day National Seminar on “**Our Culture and Identity: The Agents of Social Integration**”, organised by the Indira Gandhi National Tribal University Students’ Union, Regional Campus, Manipur on 12<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> August, 2014 at Imphal, sponsored by the **Tribal Research Institute**, Government of Manipur.
- 2) Chaired a Session at Two Day National Seminar on “**Roots of Conflict Resolution in Manipur: Claims and Counter Claims**”, organized by the Department of Social Work, Indira Gandhi National Tribal University, Regional Campus, Manipur on April 8<sup>th</sup> -9<sup>th</sup> April, 2015, sponsored by **Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR)**, New Delhi.
- 3) Chaired a seminar organised by **The Third Eye (Society for Justice and Peace in India)** in collaboration with **Society for the Protection of Prisoner and Detainee’s Rights**, & **Naga Students Union Delhi**, with the theme “*For Justice and Peace in India*”, on 28<sup>th</sup> March 2009, Constitutional Club, Rafi Marg, New Delhi.

### **Invited as Resource Person**

- 1) Invited as Resource Person on the topic “***Distributive Justice and Development: Some Theoretical Reflections***” on 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> March, 2013, NATIONAL SEMINAR on **Development Discourse: Expanding Horizons**, organized by the Department of Social Work, Indira Gandhi National Tribal University, Regional Campus, Manipur.

- 2) Invited as Resource Person for Short Term Course in '**Oral Traditions of Ethnic Communities of the North East**' 2 - 8 January 2014, organized by UGC-Academic Staff College, Manipur University.
- 3) Invited as Resource Person on the topic "**Religion and Violence Against Women**" on 14<sup>th</sup> March, 2014, NATIONAL SEMINAR on **Violence Against Women in North East India**, organized by the Department of Social Work, Indira Gandhi National Tribal University, Regional Campus, Manipur.
- 4) Invited as Discussant for the 15<sup>th</sup> Arambam Somorendra Martyrdom Anniversary and The 10<sup>th</sup> Arambam Somorendra Memorial Lecture on June 10<sup>th</sup> 2015 at Imphal on the topic 'Ethnic Churning: The CHIKUMI Style'.

### **Seminar/Research Papers Presented**

- 1) Presented a paper entitled "**The Indian State and Ethnic Conflict in Northeast India: Mapping Human Security**" on 2 & 3 March, 2012, INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR on **Human Security in the Northeast Region: Challenges & Predicament**, organised by the Department of Social Work, Indira Gandhi National Tribal University, Regional Campus, Manipur in collaboration with the Centre for Manipur Studies, Manipur University & Centre for Alternative Discourse, Manipur at Senate Hall in Manipur University.
- 2) Presented a paper entitled "**Indo-Nepal Relations: The Transitional Phase**" on 17 & 18 August, 2012, INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE on **India & Her Neighbours: Revisiting Relations with Nepal, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Myanmar, Sri Lanka, Maldives**, organised by The Jadavpur Association of International Relations, in collaboration with Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies, Public Diplomacy Division: Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, Manipur University, and ICSSR-NERC at Central Hall, Manipur University.
- 3) Presented a paper entitled "**Indo-Russian relations in the Post Cold War Era**" on 16 & 17 March, 2012, NATIONAL SEMINAR on **India's Foreign Policy: Continuity and Change**, organised by the Department of Political Science, Indira Gandhi National Tribal University, Regional Campus, Manipur at Conference Hall, Tribal Research Institute, Manipur.
- 4) Presented a paper entitled "**Ethnic Life World in North East India: Mapping the Evolving Heraka Identity** " on 11-13 July, 2012, NATIONAL SEMINAR on **Perspectives in the Life-World & Socio-Cultural Transformation of the Scheduled**

**Tribes of India**, organised by the Department of Philosophy, Manipur University, sponsored by the Centre for Studies in Civilizations, New Delhi at Court Room in Manipur University.

- 5) Presented a paper entitled “*Hindutva and the Politics of Integration in North East India*” on 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> January, 2013, NATIONAL SEMINAR on **Singularity of India: Integration, Homogenization and Racism**, organised by United NGOs Mission Manipur, North East Dialogue Forum, and Conflict & Human Rights Studies Network-Manipur.
- 6) Presented a paper entitled “*Immigration in North East India: The Manipur Experience*” on 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2013, NATIONAL SEMINAR on **Immigration Problems in North East India: Its Socio-Economic Impacts**, organised by the Department of Political Science, Indira Gandhi National Tribal University, Regional Campus, Manipur.
- 7) Participated in the **Discussion** on ‘*The Emerging Scenario in Burma/Myanmar*’ on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2012 organised by the Centre for Myanmar Studies, Manipur University, with the support from ‘Euro Burma Office’, South Asia, New Delhi.
- 8) Presented a paper entitled “*Research Methodology in Political Science*”, **ONE DAY SYMPOSIUM** on **Understanding Political Science in the Context of Manipur**, on 4<sup>th</sup> August, 2012 at Conference Hall, Manipur College, Imphal, organised by the Manipur Political Science Association.
- 9) Presented a paper entitled “*Religion, Identity and Conflict: A Re-appraisal of the Zeliangrong Movement*” on 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2013, NATIONAL SEMINAR on **The Native Hill Communities in Manipur: From Ethno-Historical and Cultural Perspective**, organized by the Centre for Manipur Studies, Manipur University.
- 10) Presented a paper entitled “*Tribal Land Holding System in Manipur*” on 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2014, National Seminar on **Immediate Challenges in the Hill Areas of Manipur**, organized by the Department of Sociology, Pettigrew College, Ukhrul, Manipur, sponsored by the Indian Council of Social Science Research, (ICSSR) New Delhi.

### **Research Projects Undertaken**

- 1) Indian Council of Social Science Research, (ICSSR) New Delhi sponsored Project entitled “**Conversion, Religious Reform and Cultural Positioning of Tribes in North**

**East India: A Study of Zeliangrong Religion in Manipur**” amounting to Rs. 5,00,000/- (Rupees five lakhs) from 6<sup>th</sup> January 2014 to 6<sup>th</sup> July, 2015.

**Board/Member of Learned Bodies**

- 1) Coordinator of the Department of Tribal Studies, Indira Gandhi National Tribal University, Regional Campus, Manipur, 2013.
- 2) Chairperson of Syllabus Drafting Committee for M.A. in Tribal Studies, Indira Gandhi National Tribal University, Regional Campus, Manipur, 2013.
- 3) President of Zeliangrong Research Forum, Manipur.
- 4) Subject Expert in ‘Ruangmei Literature’ for Class XI and XII, Council of Higher Secondary Education, Manipur, Government of Manipur.
- 5) Member of Ruangmei Literature Society (Assam, Manipur & Nagaland).
- 6) Member of Political Science Association, Manipur.
- 7) Public Relations Secretary of Makaam Foundation.