

PROFILE

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DESIGNATION : Professor

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ACADEMIC QUALIFICATION : M.A., Ph.D (NET with JRF, UGC)

JOINING SERVICE : 20th February 2002

SPECIALISATION : International Relations, Southeast Asia (Myanmar)

AREAS OF INTEREST :

1. Geopolitics of Northeast India
2. India's Act East Policy
3. India-Myanmar Borderlands.

EXPERIENCE ABROAD :

1. Visiting Research Student at Thammasat University, Bangkok (Thailand) under the sponsorship of Government of India in 2001. Worked under Professor Sida Sonsri.
2. Invited Panel Member at *The 3rd International Conference on ASEAN Connectivity: Current Issues and Future Prospects towards ASEAN Community*, organized by COPAG, Mahasarakham University, Mahasarakham Thailand on 19th November 2014.
3. Special Invitation to CHAIR & MODERATE a session of a Ramon Magsaysay Awardee (Sanjiv Chaturvedi IFoS) and as PEER REVIEWER in the "*4th International Conference on Magsaysay Awardees: Good Governance and Transformative Leadership in Asia*" held in COPAG, Mahasarakham University, Thailand on 31 May 2016.

- TEACHING EXPERIENCE** : 1. Completed 8 years of taking Post-Graduate Classes for Dhanamanjuri University (since 2018).
2. Completed 24 years of taking Under-Graduate Classes (2002-present)

RESEARCH GUIDE FOR Ph.D :

1. 1 (One) Scholar Awarded Ph.D in Manipur University:
Md Najir Khan, on the Topic *Political Modernisation in Manipur*, under Manipur University. MU/9-08/17/ Exam/1409 dated 6 November 2018.
2. Supervising 7 (Seven) research scholars and 2 (two) teacher candidates in the Department of Political Science, Dhanamanjuri University.

PROJECTS COMPLETED :

1. UGC Minor Research Project on “*Northeast India’s Aspirations in the Trajectory of India’s Myanmar Policy and Its Long Term Implications on Look East Policy: Understanding the Grassroots*”. Sanctioned: November 2016, Amount: 1,60,000. Tenure of the Project: 8 February 2017 to 7 August 2018. Completed in May 2018.
2. Joint Project of MAKAIAS (Kolkatta) and JAIR (2014-15)-Jadavpur University, entitled: *Peace, Development and Community: The Look East Imagination of India with Special Reference to Northeast India* under the sponsorship of Ministry of Culture, Government of India. Comparative study of Moreh (Manipur) and Zowkhawthar (Mizoram)
3. UGC Minor Research Project on “*Situation of Myanmarese Refugees in Northeast India within the Broader Perspective of India’s Myanmar Policy*”. Amount Sanctioned: Rs 1,10,000. Tenure of the Project : 30 April 2009 to 30 October 2010. Completed in March 2010.

SELECT PUBLICATIONS :

BOOK

1. *Movement for Democracy in Myanmar* (New Delhi: Akansha Publishing House, 2006), pp.1-363, ISBN 81-8370-045-4.
Reviewed in *Man and Society* (ICSSR_NER, Shillong, India), Volume IV, Spring 2007, and *Mizzima News* (Myanmar).

BOOK CHAPTERS / ARTICLES :

2. “Manipur Dynamics in India’s Myanmar Policy: Politico-Economic Perspective” in Johannes Dragsbaek Schmidt and Shantanu Chakrabarti (eds), *The Interface of Domestic and International Factors in India’s Foreign Policy* (London: Routledge, 2021), pp. 231-248. ISBN-10 : 0367641321 ISBN-13 : 978-0367641320.
3. “Aung San Suu Kyi, Democratisation and the Military Coup in Myanmar: The Dilemma Within”, in Th.Binarani Devi (ed.), *Gender and Sustainable Human Development* (Guwahati: Kamakhya Book Agency, 2021), pp., ISBN , 978-93-90754-07-6.
4. “Youth in the Present Armed Conflict Situation in Manipur: Is there a Way Out?” in A.Rajamani Singh (ed), *Youth, Peace and Development: Conflict Resolutions* (New Delhi: Concept Publishing Company, 2014) ISBN 978-93-5125-004-3. pp.139-151.
5. “Political Economy of Authoritarianism and the Quest for Democracy in Myanmar”, *North Asian International Research Journal of Social Science and Humanities*, Vol.12, Issue 4, April 2006. ISSN 2454-9827. (co-authored)
6. “Economy of Myanmar Under Ne Win’s Rule (1962-1988)”, *History Research Journal*, Vol.XXX, July 2023, pp. 118-130. ISSN 0976-5425.
7. “Governance and Trans-Border Issues in Manipur Borderlands: Re-Conceptualising India’s Myanmar Policy”, *Journal of Politics and Governance* (COPAG, Mahasarakham University, Thailand), Vol.11, No.3, September-December 2021, pp. 1-19. ISSN 2228-8562. (co-authored)
8. “India-ASEAN Connectivity and Northeast India-Myanmar Dimension”, *Asian Profile* (Vancouver-Canada), Vol.44, No.2, April 2016, pp.151-157. ISSN 03048675.
9. “Contextualizing Zowkhawthar-Rhi Cross – Border trade from the Perspectives of India and Myanmar: The Road Ahead” *JAIR Journal for International Relations* (Kolkatta), Volume 2, Issue 2, July-December 2015, ISSN: 2348-7496, pp.1-8.
10. “Prospects of Northeast India-Myanmar Tourism Cooperation in the Emerging Dynamics of India’s Look East Policy: A New Dimension” *JAIR Journal for*

11. “Northeast India in BIMSTEC: The Myanmar Factor” *JAIR Journal for International Relations* (Kolkatta), Volume I, Issue I, January – June 2014, pp. 40-50, ISSN: 2348-7496.
12. “Beyond 2010 Election in Myanmar: Military versus the Quest for Democracy and Political Space”, *Alternative Perspective*, Volume 6., Issue 1, April-June 2011, pp 20-38. ISSN 2248-969X.
13. “India’s Foreign Policy and the Imbroglia of Political Transition in Myanmar”, *South Asia Politics* (New Delhi-India), Vol.IX, No.10, February 2011, pp.42-48.
14. “India and the Quest for Democracy in Myanmar: Rethinking India’s Myanmar Policy”, *Indian Journal of Political Science* (IPSA, India), Vol.LXXI, No.3, July-September 2010, pp. 1003-1016. ISSN: 0019-5510.
15. “Democracy Roadmap, 2010 Election and Political Miasma in Myanmar”, *South Asia Politics* (New Delhi-India), Vol.IX, No.8, December 2010, pp 39-45.
16. “Myanmar’s Nuclear Programme : Myth or Reality”, *South Asia Politics* (New Delhi-India), Vol.IX, No.6, October 2010, pp 20-24.
17. “Aung San Suu Kyi and the Struggle for Democracy in Myanmar”, *South Asia Politics* (New Delhi-India), Vol.VIII, No.6, October 2009, pp. 48-52.
18. “Emerging Scenario of India’s Myanmar Policy and the Manipur Dimension”, *Asian Profile* (Vancouver-Canada), Vol.XXXVI, No.1, February 2008, pp.37-56. Quarterly. ISSN 03048675.
19. “BIMSTEC Perspective in India-Myanmar Relations and Northeast India Factor”, *World Focus-Indocentric Foreign Affairs Monthly Journal* (New Delhi-India), Vol. XXIX, No. 1, January 2008, pp. 22-28. ISSN. 2230-8458.
20. “Dynamics of India-Myanmar Relations and the Manipur Equation”, *World Focus-Indocentric Foreign Affairs Monthly Journal* (New Delhi-India), Vol. XXVIII, No. 6, June 2007, pp 239-244. ISSN. 2230-8458
21. “India’s Foreign Policy in Perspective”, *Third Concept* (New Delhi-India), Vol. XX, No. 238, December 2006, pp. 7-11. ISSN 0970-7247.
22. “Khmer Rouge: An Enigma in Cambodian Politics”, *Third Concept* (New Delhi-India), Vol. XI, No. 130, December 1997, pp. 10-13. ISSN 0970-7247.

CHAIRING SESSIONS:

1. Chaired an *International Conference on Critical Humanities: Language, Culture and Indigeneity* organised by the Department of English, Dhanamanjuri University held on 25th and 26th July 2025..
2. Chaired a Symposium organised by the Department of Education, Dhanamanjuri University held on 8 September 2025.
3. Chaired an Academic Session for a *Symposium on Education* 27 February 2024 organised by Department of Education DMU and Manipur International University.
4. Chaired a Technical Session in the *National Conference on Seventy Years of India's Foreign Policy* organized by JAIR and Political Science Department of Ramkrishna Mission Vidyamandira (Belurmath), supported by Ministry of External Affairs, GOI and ICSSR – New Delhi, from 2-4 November 2017.
5. Special Invitation to CHAIR a session of a Ramon Magsaysay Awardee (Sanjiv Chaturvedi) and as PEER REVIEWER in the “*4th International Conference on Magsaysay Awardees: Good Governance and Transformative Leadership in Asia*” held in the College of Politics and Governance, Mahasarakham University, Thailand on 31 May 2016.
6. Chaired a Technical Session in the *International Workshop on The Internal and External Constraints on Foreign Policy in India: Exploring Culture and Ethnic Sensitivities* in Jadavpur University (Kolkatta) on 23-24 November 2015, organised by Jadavpur University in collaboration with Nordic Institute of Asian Studies and Aalborg University Denmark.

INVITED TALKS/ PANEL MEMBER/BOOK PRESENTATION/RESOURCE PERSON :

1. Invited Speech and inauguration of e-Magazine of the *Ramkrishna Mission Vidyamandira Belurmath* West Bengal on 26 January 2022
2. Invited talk in the Seminar on *The Current Crises in Myanmar* organized on 10th April 2021 at Slopeland College of Teachers Education, Khongjom Manipur.
3. Invited Distinguished Speaker with Ambassador Rajiv Bhatia in the Webinar on Myanmar of Today: From Indian Perspective organised by Institute of Social and Cultural Studies (Think Tank) Kolkatta, on 3rd February 2021 (Online). Talked on: *Present Political Dynamics in Myanmar from Indian Perspective.*
4. Special Panel Member in the *Workshop on Korean Wave in Northeast India* organized by School of Media Communication and Culture, Jadavpur University held on 3 August 2019.

5. Invited for review of the book *Democratisation in Myanmar: Progress and Prospects* written by Dr. Sonu Trivedi, Fellow at the Nehru Memorial Museum and Library New Delhi, organized by Centre for Myanmar Studies, Manipur University on 17 January 2019.
6. Panel Member in the One Day *International Conference on Borderland and Governance: Northeast India and Myanmar* organized by Centre for Myanmar Studies, Manipur University in collaboration with State Constitution Coordinating Committee (Myanmar) on 11 December 2018.
7. Special Invited talk at the *National Conference on Seventy Years of India's Foreign Policy* organized by JAIR and Political Science Department of Ramkrishna Mission Vidyamandira (Belurmath), supported by Ministry of External Affairs, GOI and ICSSR – New Delhi, from 2-4 November 2017.
8. Invited Lecture in the UGC Summer School Course. conducted by UGC-Academic Staff College, Manipur University on 1 July 2015.
9. Invited Lectures in the 21 Days Interactive Programme for Ph.D Scholars conducted by UGC Academic Staff College, Manipur University on 28 March 2015.
10. Invited Talk Programme on *India's Look East Policy and Manipur*, at Observer Research Foundation (Kolkatta Centre) on 28 February 2015.

PAPER PRESENTED IN SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS :

1. Invited panel member in the National Conference on Conflicts & Unrest in Northeast India: Emerging Challenges held on 26,27 and 28 February 2026 at SK Women College, Manipur.
Title of the Paper presented: *Military Coup Elections and the Quest for Democracy in Myanmar: Rethinking India's Approach*
2. Invited expert in the International Seminar, Department of Southeast Asia, Manipur University on 29th and 30th January 2026.
Title of the Paper presented: *The Role of Indian Diaspora from Northeast Region in Enhancing India-ASEAN Relations: Case of Thailand and Myanmar*
3. Invited resource person and presentation in the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India sponsored International Conference on India-Myanmar Relation: New Challenges held on 25-27 May 2023 organised by the Centre for Myanmar Studies, Manipur University.
Title of the Paper presented: *Manipur Borderlands in India's Myanmar Policy: Synergy Issue Between State Security and Human Security*

4. Second South Asian Border Studies Conference on Beyond Boundaries and Borders: South Asian Quest for Peace, Development and Regional Connectivity organized by Department of Civics and Politics, University of Mumbai in collaboration with South Asian University (New Delhi), TISS (Mumbai) and Nehru Memorial Museum and Library (New Delhi) held from 1-2 March 2019.

Title of the Paper presented: *Geo-Politics of Border in India's Act East Policy: The Indo-Myanmar Dynamics (with reference to Manipur)*

5. International Seminar on India's Act East Policy with Reference to Manipur organized jointly by Indira Gandhi National Tribal University and Rayburn College Manipur held from 30 -31 October 2018.

Title of the Paper presented: *Act East Policy, Changing Myanmar and Manipur: In Search of a Synergistic Equation.*

6. Presented a paper as Special Panel Member in the two – day Consultative Workshop on “Indo-Myanmar Cross Border Relations and Interactions: Past, Present and Future organised by OKD Institute of Social Change and Development, Guwahati, Centre for Study of Socia Exclusion and Inclusive Policy(CSSEIP), Manipur University and Sasakawa Peace Foundation (SPF), Japan held during 31 January and 1 February 2018 at Imphal.

7. Two Day National Seminar on State, Development and Geopolitics in Northeast India: Engaging the Contemporary Realities organized by Moirang College and CADM Manipur on 21 and 22 october 2016.

Title of the Paper presented: *India's Foreign Policy under P.M. Narendra Modi and a New Myanmar: Looking from the perspective of India's Northeast.*

8. 3-Day Workshop on Paper Setting and Evaluation organized by D.M.College of Arts under the sponsorship of NERO-UGC (Guwahati) from 23rd to 25th September 2016.

9. International Workshop on The Internal and External Constraints on Foreign Policy in India: Exploring Culture and Ethnic Sensitivities in Jadavpur University (Kolkatta) on 23-24 November 2015, co-organized by a collection of Universities from Denmark, Sweden and Norway and Universities in India and is funded by the Danish Social Science Research Council, Government of Denmark. (Invited Delegate)

Title of the Paper presented: *Look East Polcy/Act East Policy, India's Myanmar Policy & Manipur*

10. The 3rd International Conference on ASEAN Connectivity : Current Issues and Future Prospects towards ASEAN Community, organized by Mahasarakham University, Mahasarakham Thailand on 19th November 2014.(Invited Delegate).

Title of the Paper presented: *India-ASEAN Connectivity and Northeast India..*

11. International Conference on Northeast India in India's Look East Policy, organized by Association of Asian Scholars in collaboration with Manipur University on 24-25 March 2014.

Title of the Paper presented: *Prospect for Northeast India-Myanmar Tourism Cooperation: A New Dimension of India's Look East Policy*

12. One Day Industrial Dialogue on "State of Industrial potentials in Manipur and Look East Policy of India", organized by All Manipur Entrepreneurs' Association on 10th June 2013.

Title of the Paper presented: *Manipur and Look East Policy of India Politico-Economic Perspective.*

13. National Seminar on Youth and Good Governance organized by NSS Cell Manipur University and State NSS Cell Government of Manipur on 30th May 2013.

14. International Seminar on India & Her Neighbours: Revisiting Relations with Nepal, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Myanmar, Sri Lanka, Maldives organized by Jadavpur Association of International Relations in collaboration with Ministry of External Affairs, MAKAIS, ICSSR-NERC and Manipur University from 17th to 18th August 2012 in Imphal.

Title of the Paper presented: *Myanmar at the Crossroads of Ethnonational Politics and India's Myanmar Policy.*

15. National Seminar on India-Myanmar-China Relations organised from 27th to 30th April 2012 by the Centre for Myanmar Studies (CMS), Manipur University, India.

Title of the Paper presented: *India-China and Political Transition in Myanmar: Post 2010 Elections.*

16. UGC-ICSSR National Seminar on "Globalisation and Manipur" organized by D M College of Arts, Imphal, on 17 and 18 December 2011.

Title of the Paper presented: *Globalization, Manipur and the Myanmarese Connection: Which Way?*

17. One Day Workshop on "Northeast India as Gateway to Myanmar and Southeast Asia for Shared Economic Prosperity" jointly organised by Centre for Myanmar Studies, Manipur University and the Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses, New Delhi on 14 February 2011 in Imphal.

Title of the Paper presented: *Imbroglia of Political Transition in Myanmar: In Quest of Political Space and Democracy.*

18. International Seminar “From Land Locked to Land Linked: Northeast India in BIMSTEC” organised by Jadavpur Association of International Relations in collaboration with Ministry of External Affairs, CII, ICSSR-NERC and NEHU on 9 and 10 April 2010 in Shillong.

Title of the Paper presented: *Northeast India in BIMSTEC: The Myanmar Factor.*

19. National Seminar on Dimensions of Myanmar, Bangladesh Connection with Conflict Situation in Northeast India, organised by the Department of Political Science, Dibrugarh University, and sponsored by NEC and ICSSR on 15 and 16 September 2008.

Title of the Paper presented: *Myanmar Dimension in the Existing Conflict Situation in Northeast India.*

20. Asian Seminar on Land and People of Myanmar organised on 6th and 7th December 2006 by the Centre for Myanmar Studies (CMS), Manipur University, India.

Title of the Paper presented: *Myanmar's Democracy Roadmap: Problems and Prospects.*

21. National Seminar on Promotion of Border Trade between India's Northeast and Myanmar : Problems and Prospects, organised by DONER (Government of India) and ICSSR-NER, Shillong, on 8 and 9 November 2004, at Imphal .

WORKSHOP/SEMINAR ORGANISED :

1. Chairperson for organising the *Two-Day National Seminar on Democracy and Development in India's Northeast Pathways, Prospects and Challenges*, organised by Department of Political Science, Dhanmanjuri University from 20th to 21st February 2026.
2. CO-CONVENOR for organising the International Seminar on India & Her Neighbours: Revisiting Relations with Nepal, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Myanmar, Sri Lanka, Maldives organized by Jadavpur Association of International Relations in collaboration with Ministry of External Affairs, MAKAIS, ICSSR-NERC and Manipur University from 17th to 18th August 2012 in Imphal.
3. CONVENOR for UGC Workshop on Equal Opportunities in Higher Education, organized by D M College of Arts Imphal on 26 March 2011.

ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Member, Committee for preparation of a consolidated seniority list of faculties of Dhanamanjuri University.
2. Member, Institutional Ethics Committee, Dhanamanjuri University
3. Member, College Development Council, Dhanamanjuri University.
4. Member, Journal Evaluation Committee, DMU (September 2025- Sept. 2027)
5. Member, Research and Development Cell, DMU (May 2025 –May 2028).
6. Head, Department of Political Science, Dhanamanjuri University, from February 2024 to February 2026.
7. Member, “ad-hoc Equivalence Committee” Dhanamanjuri University, August 2021.
8. Convenor, Curriculum and Syllabus Framing Sub-Committee PG and UG (Political Science), Dhanamanjuri University. July 2019.
9. Member, MA Entrance Committee, Dhanamanjuri University, August 2019 as well as September 2018.
10. Involved in question setting, moderation and evaluation of both PG and UG courses of DMU since its inception in 2018.
11. Involved in question setting and moderation for Under Graduate Examinations of Manipur University.
12. Member, Syllabus Committee for Political Science Manipur University. (2014).
13. Convenor, Research Committee DM College of Arts, since 7 May 2018.
14. Member, Infrastructure Development Committee (RUSA), since 11 September 2018.
15. Member, Academic Committee, DM College of Arts, since 7 May 2018.
16. Preparation of Report for NAAC Re-accreditation of the college in May 2013.
17. Former N.S.S. Programme Officer, Unit-II, D.M.College of Arts, Imphal.
18. Member, Equal Opportunity Cell (UGC), D.M.College of Arts, Imphal.
19. Member, IQAC Committee, D.M.College of Arts, Imphal.

EXTRA INSTITUTIONAL ACTIVITIES:

1. Member, Research Advisory Committee, Department of Political Science, Maharaj Bir Bikram University (State University), Tripura.
2. External Member (VC Nominee), Board of Studies School, School of Social Sciences , MU from 2022-2025.
3. Panel of Experts Committee for upgradation of JRF to SRF, Department of Political Science, Manipur University. (2022 and 2023) (2026)
4. Member, Board of Under-Graduate Studies of the Department of Political Science, Manipur University. September 2020 to September 2023.
5. External Expert, Syllabus Committee (NEP), Department of Southeast Asian Studies, Manipur University.
6. Member, Manipur University Cultural Committee, 3rd October 2020 to 2nd October 2021.
7. Subject Expert in the recruitment of College Teachers on contract basis (Political Science) for Directorate of Higher Education, Government of Manipur. 20-21 September 2021.
8. Subject Expert in the recruitment of Guest Faculty, Department of Southeast Asian Studies, Manipur University. 4 March 2021.
9. Question setting for recruitment of Secondary Lecturers, Government of Manipur. 17 September 2018.
10. Subject expert in the Selection Committee for Placement of College Lecturers, MPSC, on 1 October 2018.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS :

1. All India Vice-President (2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18) and Head Imphal Chapter, The Jadavpur Association of International Relations (JAIR), Jadavpur University, Kolkatta.
2. Life Member, Indian Political Science Association (IPSA) , Jaipur. (2071)
3. Member, The Jadavpur Association of International Relations (JAIR), Jadavpur University, Kolkatta.
4. Member, North East India Council for Social Science Research (NEICSSR), Shillong.