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1) General Information

- Address (Residential): Mujahana Hetim, P.O. Sahbajpur, Ward No.15, Hata, Distt-Kushinagar, U.P.-274206
- Date of Joining: 09-Nov-2020
- Date of Birth: 07-Nov-1989

2) Academic Qualifications

Exam passed	Board/University	Subjects	Year
High School	U.P. Board	Hindi, English, Mathematics, Science, Social Science, Drawing	2003
Intermediate	U.P. Board	Hindi, English, Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics	2005
B.Sc.	DDU Gorakhpur University	Physics , Chemistry	2008
M.A.	Jawaharlal Nehru University(JNU), New Delhi	Sociology	2013
M.Phil.	Jawaharlal Nehru University(JNU), New Delhi	Science Policy Studies	2017
Ph.D.	Jawaharlal Nehru University(JNU), New Delhi	Science Policy Studies	2023
Any other Degree MBA	GBTU Lucknow	International Business & Marketing	2010
Any other Certificate	UGC-NET/JRF	Sociology	2013
COP (part time)	JNU, New Delhi	Pali Language and Literature	2016
COP(part time)	JNU, New Delhi	Vedic Culture	2019

3) **Research Experience & Training**

A) Research Work

Research Stage	Title of Work/Theses	University Where the work was carried out
M.Phil.	Belief, Rituals and Technology: An Analysis of Cremation Technology in Delhi	Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
Doctoral	'Shaping' Cremation Technologies in India	Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
Post-Doctoral		
Research Guidance (give number of students guided successfully)	Currently supervising 11 students for their PG Research Project/ Dissertation	UNPG College Padrauna- Kushinagar (affiliated to DDU Gorakhpur University, Gorakhpur) Uttar Pradesh
Training		

Work History:

Human Rights Law Network- Researcher

(14th November 2013-to 31st January 2014)

- Leading the fact-finding team and preparing reports related to the violation of human rights among vulnerable groups.
- Gathered and organised information for the research report.
CSSS-JNU, Research Assistant (part-time) in the project "*Young People in Politics and Social Change in India-2013*" (October 2013- December 2013)
- Interviewed select sample of respondents.

Internship and Workshop:

- Indialics Training Programme on *Research Issues and Methods in Innovation Systems and Sustainable Development* (14-20 March 2016) organized by the Centre for Development Studies (C.D.S.), Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala
- Internship program (14 May-12 June 2012) in the National Human Rights Commission, New Delhi. Project Title "*Manual Scavenging: Evaluation of Present Status*" (2012).
- One week Workshop (23rd-30th December 2011) in the Gandhi Vichar Camp for Students from Indian Universities at Institute of Gandhian Studies, Wardha, Maharashtra.

B) Seminars Conferences , Symposia, Workshop etc. attended in last five years (attached separate sheets, if needed) :

No.	Title	Date	Organization/Place
1	Lecture on Bhartiya Loktantra aur Vyakti ki Garima	27 March 2023	NSS, Buddha P G College Kushinagar
2	COVID-19, Migrant death, and bereavement compensation policy	3 Nov-4 Nov 2022	GRFDT New Delhi, MFA Manila, CISAN, UNAM, Mexico.
3.	Online Workshop in pursuance of NEP-2020 on “National Skills Qualifications Framework” (NSQF)	27 June 2022	HRDC, JNU, New Delhi
4.	Online Workshop in pursuance of NEP-2020 on “Internationalization of Higher Education”	23 June 2022	HRDC, JNU, New Delhi
5	Scientific Racism in Empire: A Case of “Modern Cremation” in Colonial India and South Africa.”	28 Feb- 1 March 2022	RISFrem-2022, CSSP, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi,
6	Delivered an invited talk on in one day National Webinar “Buddha and Buddhist Culture in folk”	26 May 2021	JNVU Jodhpur and Rajasthan Buddhist Heritage and Culture Promotion Foundation Jaipur, Rajasthan
7	Paper presentation at National Symposium on <i>Understanding Asoka & Asokan Brahmi Script</i>	10-11 April 2018	Department of Sanskrit, Zakir Husain Delhi College (Evening), New Delhi.
8	The Athlete’s Body: Science, Gender Imbroglia and Olympics	22-23 March 2018	CSSP, J.N.U., and N.C.W., New Delhi
9	Reviewer at the National Conference on ‘Role and Challenges of Women’s Participation in Environment Sustainability and Innovation Policy’	22-23 March 2018	CSSP, J.N.U., and N.C.W., New Delhi
10	Sustainable Disposal of Dead: The Case of New Cremation Technologies in India	2-4 November 2017	4th IndiaLICS, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi,
11	Discussant in the session <i>Innovation in Informal Economy</i> ,	2-4 November 2017	4th IndiaLICS Conference, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.
12	New Cremation Technologies in India and China	21-22 April 2017	Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi,
13	Sustainable Innovation in Funeral Industry: A Case of Green Burial in China	25-26 November 2016	Punjabi University, Patiala
14	IndiaLICS Training Programme on	14-20 March	Centre for

	Research Issues and Methods in Innovation Systems and Sustainable Development	2016	Development Studies (C.D.S.), Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala
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C) Publications (please enclose)

Prajapati, V.N. (2023) 'Manorajan Vypari ki Atmkatha: 'Bharat Vibhajan' ki ek Dalit Vytha.' *Jankriti*, ISSN 2454-2725, Varsh-8, Ank-94, 337-344.

Prajapati, V.N. (2020) 'Sustainable disposal of the dead: A study of Nigambodh Ghat in Delhi.' *African Journal of Science, Technology, Innovation, and Development*, <https://doi.org/10.1080/20421338.2020.1774111>.

Prajapati, V.N. (along with Saradindu Bhaduri) (2019) 'Human Values in Disposing of the Dead: An Inquiry into Cremation Technology.' *Journal of Human Values*, 25(1), 52–65. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0971685818806416>.

Prajapati, V.N. (2018) 'Ati Pichhda Varg aur Sarkari Nitiyan' , *Bodhisattva Mission*, ISSN No 2455-3026, Varsh-5, Ank-07, 36-37.

Prajapati V.N., Book Chapter (in Hindi), 2016, Takniki Parivartan, Anchalik Taknik (Subaltern Technology) aur Adivasi (67-74), in *Adivasi Asmita ke Naye Ayaam* (ed.Singh et al.), ISBN: 978-93-851934-1-5, Anang Prakashan, New Delhi

D) Details of FIP/refresher course, summer schools, including open university course attended

No.	Course	Date & Duration	Place
1	Faculty Induction Programme	21 Aug- 19 Sep 2021	Teaching Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi, Delhi
2.	Faculty Development program (Academic Admistration)	7 May- 13 May 2022	Teaching Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi, Delhi
3.	Faculty Development program (ICT Tools for Teaching and Learning)	16 January - 22 January 2023	Teaching Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi, Delhi

E) Area of research: cremation technologies, sustainability, death studies, sociology of health, science, technology, and society (S.T.S.) studies, Sociology of Religion, gender and society.

4) **Teaching Experience :**

Courses Taught	Name of the University/College/Institution	Duration	
U.G.(B.A., B.Sc.,B.Com)	U N P G College Padrauna	Since 9 Nov 2020 till date	
P.G.(M.A.,M.Sc.,M.C om)	U N P G College Padrauna	Since 9 Nov 2020 till date	
M.Phil.			
Any Other			

5) **Total Teaching Experience**

a) Under-graduate: 2 Year 9 Month

b) Post-graduate: 2 Year 9 Month

6) **Innovation/Contribution in Teaching**

a) Design of Curriculum :

b) Teaching methods : Offline/Online, teaching trough Apps(Zoom and google Meet), YouTube channel (<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbq5gz5sriiPDtZQ2Fyfulg>)

c) Laboratory experiments:

d) Research Guidance: Currently supervising PG (Sociology) students for their Research Project/Dissertation as per NEP-2020 and CBCS syllabus.

e) Preparation of resource material: (Including books, reading materials, Laboratory manuals etc.)

Prepared Reading material on ‘Perspectives in Indian Sociology’ and ‘Sociology of Health’ for PG students

f) Remedial Teaching/ Student Counselling(academic)

g) Any other : Since November 2020 guiding students for UGC-NET

h) Research gate Link: <https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Vishwambhar-Prajapati-2>

Academia link: <https://jnu.academia.edu/VishwambharNathPrajapati>

ORCID iD: <https://orcid.org/0000-0002-5925-4027>

7) **Extension Work/Community Services :**

a) Please give a short account of your contribution to:

1) Community work:

(Such as values of National Integration, Secularism, democracy, socialism, humanism, peace, Scientific Temper, flood or drought relief, small family norms etc.)

2. National Literacy Mission:

3. Position held/Leadership role played in:

Organization linked with Extension work and National service Scheme (NSS), or NCC or any other similar activity:

8) Participation in Corporate Life :

Please give a short account of your contribution to:

College/University/Institution:

- Worked as a member of admission committee in M.A. (Sociology)
- Currently working as an active member of NEP committee in the college.
- Curricular Activities (cultural activities): working as an active member of Cultural committee of college.
- Student Welfare and Discipline: worked as member of Proctorial Board in College
- Membership of Professional Bodies , Societies etc.: **Life Membership of Indian Sociological Society**

9) Accomplishments:

- Achieved the highest grade in M.Phil. (Science Policy) in 2017
- Qualified UGC-NET/Junior Research Fellowship Award in Sociology, June 2013
- Elected as S.F.C. (Student-Faculty Committee) member in 2014, 2019 in CSSP-JNU.
- As a Reviewer at the National Conference on Role and Challenges of Women's Participation in Environment Sustainability and Innovation Policy (22nd & 23rd March 2018) jointly organised by the CSSP-JNU & N.C.W., New Delhi
- Participated in Theatre Workshop held on 9-13th October 2017
- Participated in Cycle Rally organised by N.S.S., J.N.U., New Delhi on 11th August 2017
- Participated in the Association of Social Anthropologists of the U.K. and Commonwealth held at J.N.U., New Delhi on 3rd-6th April 2012.
- Participated at 37th All India Sociological Conference during the Diamond Jubilee Celebrations of Indian Sociological Society, 11th-13th December 2011 at J.N.U., New Delhi
- Participated in the workshop on Feminist Research Methodology organised by RC-10, Indian Sociological Society and School of Gender Studies, RGNIYD, Sriperumbudur on 14th December 2011 at J.N.U., New Delhi
- Participated in Annual Cultural Program 'KOLAAHAL'09 at MIET group of institutions, Meerut
- Participated in a debate organised by Bhautiki Parishad (Buddha P.G. College Kushinagar) and won the third position in 2008.
- Participated and won the first position in the debate, essay writing, and *scientoon* in 2007 at Buddha P.G. College, Kushinagar.
- Participated and won the 2nd position in the debate, first position in essay writing and *scientoon* in 2006, at Buddha P.G. College, Kushinagar.

Languages Known: English, Hindi, and Bhojpuri

Hobbies: Traveling, Reading heterodox Indian Philosophy

10) Any other information:

Received 'Shikshak Samman Award' by the Government of Uttar Pradesh on 5th September 2021 (Teacher's Day) for the contribution in Higher Education particularly in the implementation of New Education Policy-2020.

Traveling explore my ideas about the culture, language, and nation. Reading Indian Philosophy is also my hobby. Heretical Indian philosophy is the result of diverse visions which traveled since millenniums in this country. Therefore, no policy intervention and governance is possible without understanding the Indian philosophy.

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