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Professional Profile:

A dedicated **PhD** holder in English Literature and award-winning novelist, I am currently serving as *Assistant Professor at K.C. College of Engineering & Management Studies and Research in Mumbai, Maharashtra*. With over 3.3 years of teaching experience, including roles at *Noida Institute of Engineering and Technology (July 2023–August 2024)* and *Charuchandra College, University of Calcutta (February 2021–July 2023)*, I specialised in feminist and postcolonial literature, delivering dynamic undergraduate and postgraduate courses in fiction, twentieth-century poetry, and contemporary theories. My academic journey is marked by six peer-reviewed publications in high-impact journals and authorship of seven books—two poetry anthologies (*Kuch Lafz Naqab Mein* in Hindi, 2007; *For the Hundred Tomorrows* in English, 2010) and five fictions, including four national bestsellers (*Till We Meet Again*, 2012; *Mom and I Love a Terrorist*, 2012; *The Girl Who Kissed the Snake*, 2013; *You Touched My Heart*, 2013; *The Committed Sin*, 2016). UGC-compliant with an API score exceeding 619, I blend rigorous scholarship with creative expression, mentoring students, advocating for gender equity, and inspiring through motivational speaking to foster critical thinkers and empowered voices in academia and beyond.

Education

- **PhD in English Literature**, Central University of Allahabad (October 2017–January 2021)
 - Thesis: *Feminine Strength in Struggle: A Comparative Study of Charlotte Brontë's Jane Eyre and Anne Brontë's Agnes Grey*
 - Supervisor: Dr. Gunjan Sushil, Professor, Department of English and Modern European Languages.
- **Diploma in Understanding Gender**, Centre for Women's Studies, Central University of Allahabad (2018)
- **M.A. in English**, Central University of Allahabad (2016, 69.08%, First Class)

- **B.A. in English, Psychology & Education**, Central University of Allahabad (2014, 71.48%, First Class)
- **ISC (Science Stream)**, St. Mary's Convent Inter College, Allahabad (2011, 78.75%, First Division)
- **ICSE**, St Mary's Convent Inter College, Allahabad (2009, 80%, First Division)

Teaching Experience

- **Assistant Professor (English)**, currently working as an Assistant Professor at **K.C. College of Engineering & Management Studies and Research in Mumbai, Maharashtra.**
- **Assistant Professor (English)**, Noida Institute of Engineering and Technology, Greater Noida, UP
July 2023 – August 2024
 - Delivered undergraduate courses in fiction and twentieth-century poetry.
 - Developed curricula and mentored students in research and creative writing.
- **Assistant Professor (Guest Faculty)**, Charuchandra College, Kolkata (University of Calcutta)
February 2021–July 2023.
 - Taught undergraduate and postgraduate courses on T.S. Eliot and Judith Butler.
 - Contributed to academic planning and student engagement initiatives.
- **Assistant Professor (Guest Faculty)**, Bankura University, West Bengal
December 2020–January 2021
 - Conducted postgraduate seminars on T.S. Eliot's *The Waste Land* and Judith Butler's *Gender Trouble*.

Research Interests

- Fiction, Feminism, Postcolonial Literature, Twentieth-Century Drama and Poetry, Contemporary Theories
- **Research Papers:**
 - *Modern Wastelanders and the Living Dead in T.S. Eliot's The Waste Land*, Gorteria Journal (ISSN: 0017-2294)
 - *Beyond the Ordinary: Absurdity in Kafka's Metamorphosis*, Pramana Research Journal (ISSN: 2249-2976)
 - *The Intangibles: Feminism, Revenge and Reorder in Wuthering Heights*, IJCRT (ISSN: 2320-2882).
 - *The article titled "Divinity and the Feminist Indian Woman in The Forest of Enchantments" was published in JETIR (ISSN: 2349-5162).*
 - *A Study of Postcolonial Novel & Wide Sargasso Sea by Jean Rhys*, IJRAR (ISSN: 2348-1269)
 - *A Comparative Study of Indian Feminism and Western Feminism*, LANGLIT (ISSN: 2349-5189)

- *Tracing the Sea with No Land*, in *The Quintessence of Humanistic-Existentialism* (ISBN: 978-81-947388-6-2)
- *Perspective on Feministic Subalternity in Fire on the Mountain*, in *Exploring Subalternity in Literature* (ISBN: 978-93-90588-54-1)
- *Feminism: Toxicity Gender Bias in The Tenant of Wildfell Hall*, in *New Aspects and Trends in Literature* (ISBN: 978-81-953639-1-9)
- *Soaring Sadness: Tuberculosis, Tragedy and Tales of the Brontës*, in *Exploring Pandemics and Disasters* (ISBN: 978-93-90891-00-9).

• Creative Works:

- *The Committed Sin* (2016, Leadstart Publishing, Romantic Thriller)
- *You Touched My Heart* (2013, General Press, National Bestseller, Romantic/Supernatural)
- *The Girl Who Kissed the Snake* (2013, General Press, National Bestseller)
- *Mom and I Love a Terrorist* (2012, General Press, National Bestseller)
- *Till We Meet Again* (2012, Diamond Books, National Bestseller)
- *For the Hundred Tomorrows* (2010, Poetry, English)
- *Kuch Lafz Naqab Mein* (2007, Poetry, Hindi)

Conferences and Seminars

- *A Study of Wide Sargasso Sea by Jean Rhys: Looking Through the Eyes of the Feminist*, Deen Dayal Upadhyay University, Gorakhpur (2018)
- *Feminism and Beyond: A Deeper Look into the Brontë Cabin*, International Conference, Vasanta College of Women, BHU

Faculty Development and Guest Lectures

- Resource Person, All India Faculty Development Programme, Trinity Women's College, Namakkal, Tamil Nadu (July 1-14, 2021)
 - Topic: *The Use of the Internet Arena and Social Media for Expansion of Education* (Virtual)
- Keynote Speaker, 6th National Peace Convention, Christ University, Bangalore
- Keynote Speaker, ABP News Channel (December 29, 2019)

Awards and Recognition

- Nari Samman Award, U.P. State Government (2016)
- Women Achiever Award, Amar Ujala-Rupayan (2013, ₹50,000) and Bioved Women Achiever Award (2014)
- Youth Icon of India, YOUTH ACTION Magazine (2015)
- Honoured by Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister (2012)
- Brand Ambassador, Dainik Jagran, Uttar Pradesh General Elections (2014)
- News Maker of 2012 & 2015, Hindustan (Hindi Daily)



- Celebrity of the Year (Bade Dilwale), Red FM 93.5
- Nominated for Hindustan Times Women Achiever Award (2011, 2012, 2013)
- API Score: 619+ (UGC-compliant)

Media Coverage

- Times of India, Hindustan Times, Pioneer, Amar Ujala, Dainik Jagran, ABP News, Zed News, News Nation, ETV News, Star TV, Sahara, APN News, Samachar Plus, K TV
- All India Radio, Big FM 92.7, Red FM 93.5

Skills

- Teaching, research, creative writing, public speaking, curriculum development, and bilingual proficiency (English, Hindi)

Certifications and Exemptions

- Certificate in Understanding Gender, Centre for Women's Studies, Central University of Allahabad (2018)
- NET Exemption, UGC