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Language Spoken: Tulu, Kannada, English

Educational Qualification

M.A (Economics) – Mangalore University

M Phil - Vinayaka Mission University Salem, Tamilnadu

Experience in Besant Women's College

1986 – 87 – Part time lecturer

1987 to 1992 – Full time Stop-gap Lecturer

29-01-1992 onwards permanent

Responsibilities handled In the collage

- Class Mentor / Tutor
- In charge of Fine Arts Association-(1998-99, 2008-09)
- Convener of Yakshagana Sanga- (1998-99, 1999-2000, 2000-01)
- Secretary, The Alumni Association (1998-1999, 1999-2000)
- NSS Officer- (2001-02, 2002-03)
- Union Advisor (2004-05)
- Convener–Outreach Activities-(2005-2006,2007-2008, 2009-2010,2010-2011
- Member in IQAC-2004-2005,2005-2006,2006-2007, 2011-12, 2012-13, 2014-15, 2015-16
- Staff Representative in managing committee-2009-2010, 2010-11, 2011-12, 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15
- Placement officer 2011-12, 2012-13
- Convener Women's Cell 2013-14
- The Chair for Annie Besant Studies 2014-15
- Grievance Redressal Cell 2014-15
- Secretary Staff Club 2014-15
- Career Guidance Cell 2015-16
- Executive Committee Member of the Alumni Association

Award Won:

Management Award for Exemplary Performance: 2004-2005



Responsibilties Handled Outside the College-

- Member of the Board of Examiners of the Autonomous College –School of Social Work ,Roshni Nilaya ,Mangalore.
- Treasurer Mangalore University Economics Association (2010-2011)

Seminars/Workshops Attended National level Seminars

- 'WTO & the Banking sector in India' on 16th & 17th Feb 2004 organized by the Corporation Bank Chair in Bank Management at Mangalore University.
- 'Intellectual Property Rights in Key Areas' on 26th and 27th March 2004 at S.D.M Collage of Business Management, Mangalore.
- National Seminar on 'Agriculture in the context of second phase of Green Revolution's- on 1st 2nd & 3rd April ,2004 at Vivekananda College Puttur.
- 'Extension & Outreach Activities of the Colleges-New Dimensions' on 24th March ,2005 organized by S D M College of Business Management, Mangalore.
- "Quest for Quality &Excellence in Higher Education through Industry-Academia Interaction 'on 14th&15th Feb 2006 organized by IQAC, BWC.
- Value Based Education & Literature organized by B W C on 14th & 15th Feb 2008.
- India—Sixty Years in a Nation's Life'organised by Besant Evening College on 3rd & 4th April 2009.
- 'Sectoral Imbalances in Indian Economy' organised by Sri Bhuvanendra College, Karkala & M U E A on 11th Jan 2010.
- National Workshop on 'Soft-skills & Employability 'organized by B W C on 9th April 2010.
- Two days National seminar of "Third Sector Response to contemporary Challenges" organised by Sahyadri College of Management on 2nd and 3rd January 2012.
- Two days National seminar on "Emerging Images of Women in Indian Fictions in English & In Translations from Regional Languages orgainsed by BWC on 9th & 10th March 2012.
- Two days National seminar on "Media Ethics & Practices" organized jointly by BWC and The Dept of Mass Communication, Mangalore University on 13th & 14th December 2012.
- One day Seminar on "Maulana Abdul Kalam Azad's Vision on India's Freedom & Education" orgainsed by BWC on 27th March 2013.
- One Day National seminar on "Commercial Banks and Micro Finance" organized by Besant Evening College on 12th September 2013.
- One day National Seminar on "Changing Paradigms of Higher Education" organized by AMUCT on 1st Dec. 2013 at St. Aloysius College (Worked in Certificates Committee)
- One day National Seminar on "Disaster Management" organized by BEC on 17th December 2013.
- Two Days National Seminar on "Inclusive Practices in Libraries" organized by BWC on 12^{th &} 13th December 2013.

- One day National Seminar on "Social Capital Formation" organised by the Departments of Economics & Sociology, BWC on 17th January 2014.
- One day National Seminar on "Inclusive Practices: Creating Classroom Experiences to Enhance Teaching Learning "organized by BEC on 28th March 2015.
- One day National Seminar on "Issues & Challenges in Global Work place" organized by BWC on 29th October 2015.
- One day National Seminar on "Inclusive Growth: Challenges & Strategies" orgainsed by SDM College, Ujire and Mangalore University Economics Association on 12th February 2016.

State Level Seminars

- "Corporate challenges to Management & Commerce Education" Held on Oct. 16th 17th oct ,2003 organized by MUCTA Mangalore
- Development of Coastal Karnataka: Possibilities & Problems'organised by St. Aloysius College, Mangalore & MUEA on 16th Feb ,2008.
- Women & Entrepreneurship—Opportunities & Challenges'-organized by M U E A & S V S College, Bantwal.
- Agriculture in Karnataka: Issues & Challenges –organized by M U E A & Sri Dhavala College, Moodabidri.

Other Seminars

- Seminar on Rain Water Harvesting for NSS officers at St.Agnes College, Mangalore in 2002.
- Participated in the Quality Enhancement Programmes organized by The RJDC's Office at Besant Evening College & Besant Women's College.
- Training programme in counseling skills by Ms.Emma Gansolves, a leading counselor from Chennai.
- Workshop on the revised syllabus of 3rd Sem .B B M of Mangalore University on 23rd June, 2010 at Alva's College, Moodabidri.

Orientation/ Refresher courses attended -

- Refresher course- 11-05-1998 to 03-06-1998 at Mangalore University
- Refresher course- 05-06-2000 to 29-06-2000 at Kuvempu University, Shimoga.
- Refresher course- 03-11-2001 to 29-11-2001 at Mangalore University.
- Orientation Programme -29-05-2002 to 25-06-2002 at Mysore University.

Membership of University Bodies:

- Mangalore University Economics Association.
- Mangalore University Alumni Association.

Innovative Teaching Methods Used:

• Teacher's Role Play by students, PPT, Group Discussion, Students presenting current events in the class.

Participation in Extra- curricular Activities:

Worked as the convener of the Associations in the college.

Personal Acheivements—Programmes Co-ordinated:

- Organized blood donation camps in the college, involving the Lions Club.
- Provided blood coupons to many needy patients through the NSS unit.
- As the NSS Officer worked on the theme of Rain Water Harvesting. Organised 10 days annual camp at Nethrakere Village in Bantwal Taluk with theme of Rain Water Harvesting.
- Conducted the first certificate course in the college in Yakshagana during the academic year 1998-1999 and continued it for two more years.
- Yakshagana to our students for three years[1998-2001]
- Organized 'Clean City Programme' in five corporation wards around the college[2005-2006]
- Joined hands with Mangalore City Corporation in its Nirmala Nagara yojana in the year 2006-2007.
- Organized a training programme on' Jasmine Cultivation' to the members of Sthri Shakthi Sangha from our adopted area Jeppina Mogaru & the students of our college along with the scientists from the Krishi Vijnana Kendra, Mangalore on 24th April ,2010.
- Participated as the chief guest in some programmes like Book distribution, annual programmes of Youth clubs, Tulu Koota SHG etc.
- Master of ceremony in some programmes of the Lions Club.
- Organized Departmental programmes in the college like Budget Analysis, Guest Lectures etc.
- Organsied the Certificate course in Jewellery Making
- Helped many poor students of the college financially.
- As the executive committee member of the Alumni Association actively participated in the Fund Raising Programmes of the Association.

Involvement in Community Development Activities:

- Worked as the coordinator of Nagamangala Anna Nidhi which provided mid -day meal to about 130 poor students for three years at Ullal ,before the Karnataka Govt. started 'Akshara Dasoha'-the Mid-day meal scheme for school children'
- Through 'Campus Initiative', an NGO, Participated in the collection& distribution of clothes to the poor, as the NSS Officer.
- Actively involved in a number of socio-cultural activities along with the spouse.

Research Project:

Completed UGC Sponsored Minor Research Project entitled "Socio –Economic Conditions of River/ Estuary Fishing Community in coastal Karnataka: An Empirical Study".