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Books Published

1. Ancient Indian Society (in Hindi)
Publisher: Print House, Lucknow.
2. Ancient Indian Economy (in Hindi)
Publisher: Print House, Lucknow.
3. Trading Communities in Ancient India (in Hindi)
Publisher: Print House, Lucknow.
4. Nepal: Culture and Tourism (in Hindi)
Publisher: New Royal Book Co., Lucknow.
5. Nepal: Ek Chitravali (in Hindi)
Publisher: New Royal Book Co., Lucknow.
6. Bharat Ke Pramukh Paryatan Utpad
Publisher: New Royal Book Co. Lucknow.
7. Urban Panorama, Lucknow- Chief Editor
8. RCUES Newsletter, Lucknow -Chief Editor
9. Urban Management – Chief Editor
10. Sustainable Urban Management – Chief Editor
11. Disaster Management of India- Chief Editor

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Research Papers

1. Social order and integration in Early India.
2. Social philosophy of early Buddhism and traditional order.
3. References of "Salbhanjikas" in Gupta art and literature.
4. Identification of Valmiki Ashram in Uttar Khand.
5. Economic mobility of backward Classes in Kushan Period.

6. Ghoshita Ram Vihar-Kaushambi.
7. Role of Government, period and non-government agencies in promotion of senior tourism.
8. Rahul Sanskrityyan: Ek Sangharshsheel Vyaktitva.
9. Impact of globalization on Indian tourism.
10. Eco Tourism: Challenges, Prospects and Opportunities, Journal of Regional Centre for Urban and Environmental Studies
11. Marketing Strategies and Recommendation for Promoting Tourism in Uttar Pradesh, Published in "Kshitij 2k2", an annual literary journal, Published by Institute of Tourism Studies, Lucknow University.
12. Paper titled " International Tourism & it's Impact on National Identity of India: A Case Study of Rajasthan" published in the proceedings of International Conference for Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences, Florence, Italy
Website: http://www.icaes_florence2003.com/
13. Disaster Response in India with Special Reference Tsunami Disaster.

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Book Reviews

1. History of Freedom Movement in India. (Madhava, K.G. Vasantha)
2. Archaeological Gazetteer of Tamil Nadu (Dr. Rajan K.)
3. Changeology (Prasad, R)
4. The Troubled Waters (Nair, P.N.)
5. Nationalism, Secularism and Communalism (Sarto Esteves)
6. Indian Red Army: Hindustani Lal Sena (Sharma, Dr. Satyanarayan)
7. Inside Diplomacy (Rana, Kishan S.)
8. The Colonial World of Ananda Ranga Pillai, 1756-1761 (Alalasundaram,R.)
9. Nainital: The Land of Trumpet and Song (Shah, Giri Raj) (Abhinav Publications, Nainital)
10. Enigmatic Tibet (Colonel M.N. Gulati (Retd.) (Manas Publication)
11. Jammu * Kashmir * Ladakh : Kashmir (Parvez Dewar) (Manas Publication)
12. Jammu * Kashmir * Ladakh : Jammu (Parvez Dewar) (Manas Publication)
13. Rajamahendri Ramayana Painting (Sistla Srinivas) (Drusya Kala Depika)

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Academic/Administrative Experience

1. Professor & Director,
Regional Centre for Urban and
Environmental Studies, Lucknow.
(Ministry of Urban Development,
Govt. of India)
2. Director,
Institute of Tourism Studies,
University of Lucknow, Lucknow.
June, 1997 to February, 2005
3. Professor,
Dept. of Ancient Indian History & Archaeology
University of Lucknow, Lucknow
4. Member,
Executive Council,
Aligarh Muslim University.
(Nominated by Chief Rector/Governor U.P.)
5. Member,
Executive Council,
University of Lucknow,
(Nominated by Chancellor/Governor, U.P.-2005-07)
6. Member,
Executive Council,
Pondicherry University.
(Nominated by Visitor/President of India- 2004 onward)
7. Member
Selection Committee
(Nominated By Visitor / Governor,
Gujrat-2005 onward)
8. Member,
Asia-Pacific Education Institutes in Tourism (APETIT)
United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)
9. Member,
Governing Board,
Institute of Tourism Studies,
M.G. Kashi Vidyapeeth, Varanasi.

10. Member,
Governing Board,
Institute of Management Sciences,
University of Lucknow.
11. Assistant Proctor,
University of Lucknow, Lucknow
October 1993 to January, 1998
12. Assistant Provost,
Lal Bahadur Shastri Hall,
University of Lucknow, Lucknow
November 1991 to February 1993
13. Assistant Director,
Post Graduate Admission Test (1994-1995)
University of Lucknow, Lucknow.
14. Assistant Proctor,
Sampoorna Nand University, Varanasi
Session 1990-1991

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Research Work

Ph.D. Produced	::	16
Ph.D. Enrolled	::	10
M.Phil. Produced	::	04

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Conferences, Seminars and Workshops Participated

1. Participated and presented research paper in conference organized by Bhartiya Itihas Sankalan Samiti in Lucknow in 1993.
2. Participated and presented research paper in Seminar organized by University Grant Commission (UGC), New Delhi at Faizabad University
3. Participated and presented research paper in Seminar organized by Panchal Shodh Sanshatn at Kanpur University.
4. Participated and presented research paper in Seminar organized at Jammu University in November 1995.

Conferences, Seminars and Workshops Organized

1. Co-organizer of the seminar organized by Acharya Narendra Dev International Buddhist Research Institute.

2. Co-organizer of various seminars organized by U.P. Hindi Sansthan, Lucknow and U.P. Hindustani Academy, Allahabad.
3. Organizer of national seminar on "New Horizon of Tourism: Exploring Senior Tourism" in December, 1998 jointly organized by Institute of Tourism Studies, Lucknow University and Dept. of Tourism, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh.
4. Organizer of International Seminar on "Status of World Travel Literature" in January 2000 at Hotel Taj Residency, Lucknow, jointly organized by Institute of Tourism Studies, Lucknow University and Dept. of Tourism, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh.
5. Organizer of workshop on "Promotion of Tourism in Lucknow" at Lucknow University in March, 2000, organized by Institute of Tourism Studies, Lucknow University.
6. Organizer of national seminar on "Opportunities of Tourism in Uttar Pradesh in the Present Scenario" in October, 2001 at Hotel Taj Residency, Lucknow, jointly organized by Institute of Tourism Studies, Lucknow University and Dept. of Tourism Govt. of Uttar Pradesh.
7. Organizer of national seminar on "Role of Information Technology in Promotion of Tourism" in May, 2003 at Hotel Gomti, Lucknow, jointly organized by Institute of Tourism, Lucknow University and Dept. of Tourism Govt. of Uttar Pradesh.
8. Organizer of national seminar on "Public private partnership in urban services" in 4 & 5 March, 2005 at Hotel Taj, Lucknow
9. Organizer of national seminar on "JNNURM" on 30th December, 2005 at Hotel Taj Residency, Lucknow.
10. Conference on Dry Land & Desertification (Climate Change)
11. National seminar on Managing Urban Wastes for Healthy Environment (Funded by Planning Commission, Government of India)
12. Workshop on Green Cities: Plan for Planet
13. Workshop on Our Rivers: Linking Lives and Livelihoods
14. Colloquia on NURM
15. Workshop on National Urban Renewal Mission at Ranchi
16. Workshop on JNNURM
17. Regional Workshop on JNNURM
18. Orientation Workshop on UIDSSMT and IHSDP
19. Orientation Workshop on JNNURM, UIDSSMT and IHSDP
20. Orientation Workshop on JNNURM for Executive Council members and Officials of Lucknow Nagar Nigam
21. Orientation Workshop on JNNURM for NGOs, CBOs and Officials of Kanpur Nagar Nigam
22. Workshop on UIDSSMT and IHSDP
23. Seminar on Sustainable Urban Management
24. National Seminar on Public Private Partnership in Urban Services
25. National Seminar on Urban Governance in India: Challenges and Prospects
26. Workshop on Convergence of DUDA with Sectoral Departments
27. Workshop on Formation, Training and Networking of SHG's under SJSRY

28. Workshop on Sustainable Management of Urban Wastes (at Patna)
29. National Seminar on Empowerment of Women in Urban Administration (Patna)
30. Workshop for Mayors, MNA's and Addl. MNA's
31. Workshop on Women Empowerment for C.D.S. Chairpersons
32. Workshop for Chairpersons/E.O.'s of Nagar Palika Parishads of U.P
33. Workshop for Chairpersons / E.O.'s of Nagar Palika Parishads of U.P.
34. Seminar on Convergence of SUDA with other Departments in U.P
35. Seminar on Impact of 74th Constitution Amendment Act on Urban Management
36. National Seminar on 50 Years of Urban Administration in India
37. National Seminar on Privatization of Urban Services
38. Workshop on Project Formulation for NGOs under UBSP
39. Regional Workshop on Formulation and Implementation of Projects under IDSMT at Bhopal
40. Regional Workshop on Formulation and Implementation of Projects under IDSMT at Guwahati
41. Regional Workshop on Formulation and Implementation of Projects under IDSMT at Bhubaneswar
42. Regional Workshop on Formulation and Implementation of Projects under IDSMT at Lucknow
43. Workshop on Issues in Municipal Personnel Administration
44. Seminar on Improving Image of Municipal Administration
45. Regional Seminar on Urban Poverty
46. Workshop on Behavioural Skills and Management
47. National Seminar on Urban Transport
48. National Seminar on Responsive Administration
49. Workshop on Urban Basic Services
50. Workshop on Integrated Development of Small and Medium Towns in M.P.
51. Workshop on Urban Conservation and Environment
52. Workshop on Integrated Development of Small and medium Towns in U.P: Disposal of Assets and Reinvestment Policy
53. Workshop on Integrated Development of Small and Medium Towns in U.P
54. Workshop on IDSMT in U.P: Problems and Achievements
55. Workshop on IDSMT in Orissa
56. Workshop on Integrated Development of Small and Medium Towns
57. Workshop on Management, Operation and Maintenance of Water Supply System in U.P.
58. Conference on Problems in Planning and Implementation of Urban Development Projects (with special reference to IDSMT)

59. Workshop on Management of Environment
60. Workshop on Social Indicators for the Integrated Development of Barabanki Town
61. Workshop on Management of Environment
62. Workshop on Integrated Approach to Urban Development of Small and Medium Towns
63. Workshop on Integrated City Development programmes
64. Conference on Ecology and Environment
65. Conference on Management of Environment
66. Seminar on Role of Small and Medium Towns and Cities in the Development Process
67. Workshop on Working of Municipal Directorates in India
68. Workshop on Financing of Housing and Commercial Projects in Urban Local Bodies in Uttar Pradesh
69. Workshop on Municipal Taxation and Recoveries
70. Workshop on Municipal Budgeting
71. Conference on State-Local Relations
72. Conference on Statutory Agencies for Urban Development
73. Conference on Reforms in Municipal Government
74. Conference on Statutory Agencies for Urban Development
75. Conference on Role of Political Parties in Municipal Administration
76. Seminar on Problems of Water Supply in Lucknow
77. Seminar on Problems of Panchayati Raj
78. Seminar on Centralization of Municipal Service
79. Conference on Octroi: A Source of Local Revenue
80. Conference on Sanction of Building Plans
81. Conference on Role of President /Chairman
82. Conference on Non-Tax Revenue Sources
83. Conference on Road Grants and Road Buildings Activities in Local Bodies of U.P, M.P and Bihar

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Award/ Distinction Achieved

1. Youth Hostel Ratna Award by Youth Hostel Association of India (YHAI)
2. Biography published along with those of other eminent personalities in Asian/American who's who, vol. III, published by Rifacimento International, p.437
3. Bharat Excellence Award and Gold medal presented by Friendship Forum of India, New Delhi.