

FACULTY PROFILE

SAMUKTALA SIDHU KANHU COLLEGE

DR. RUMAN SUTRADHAR

SET (2013), NET (2016), NET (2017), M.A (2012; Gold Medalist in Political Science), M.Phil (2016), PhD (2021)

Current Position:

Assistant Professor (HOD)
Department of Political Science
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ACADEMIC PROFILE

Awards and Grants:

- 2015 Visited Columbia University, New York as part of a 7-day Study Tour organised by Dr. Ambedkar Foundation under Ministry of Social Justice, Government of India.
- 2014 Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship for M. Phil and Ph. D.
- 2013 Awarded Gold Medal for securing first class first position in M.A. by Assam University, Silchar (India).
- 2013 Awarded Merit Prize by Assam University, Silchar (India).
- 2013 Awarded Shantibala Devi Memorial Award by Assam University, Silchar (India).
- 2013 Awarded Endowment Award by Assam University, Silchar (India).

Past Positions

- 1) Worked as Guest Teacher in Department of Economics & Politics, Visvabharati, Shantiniketan, from 2019-2020.
- 2) Worked as Guest Faculty in Department of Law, Assam University, Silchar in 2016.
- 3) Worked in Vidyasagar College, Silchar in 2013

Activities and Paper presentations in National/International Conference/Seminar/Workshop

2013 “Dalit Struggle for Education” paper presented at the National Seminar on *Socio-economic Status of Marginalized Communities in Barak Valley with Special Reference to the Scheduled Caste Groups* organized by Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, NIT Silchar (Assam) on 31st August 2013.

2014 “Gender and Discrimination : Status of Women in Decision Making Bodies of India” paper presented at the International Seminar on *Social Exclusion and Discrimination of Dalits in India: Some Reflections in Comparative Context* jointly organized by Department of Bengali, **Assam University, Centre for Bangladesh Studies** and **G.C. College** (Assam) on 11th March 2014.

2015 “Inter-generational Educational Pattern of the Muchi Women in Cachar, Assam” paper presented at the International Seminar on *Women Empowerment: Issues and Challenges* organized by Department of Economics, **Gossaigaon College**, Kokrajhar (Assam) on 6th February 2015.

2015 “One is not born a woman, but becomes one: Gendered patterns of women subordination in India” paper presented at the International Seminar on *Gender Equality: Power, Violence against Women, Combating Myths and Understanding Legal Provisions* organized by Mahila Mahavidyalaya, **Banaras Hindu University**, Varanasi (Uttar Pradesh on 13th February 2015.

2015 Attended workshop on *Quantitative Data Analysis using SPSS* organized by Department of Social Work, **Assam University**, Silchar from 15-21st January 2015.

2015 “Caste, Gender and Marginalization: With Special Reference to the Urban Wage Earners of Cachar” paper presented at the International Conference on *Contesting Self and Other: Identities of Caste, Tribe, Gender and Beyond* organized by Department of History and Department of Anthropology, **Assam University**, Diphu (Assam) on 28th March 2015.

2017 “Gendered Media, Identity and Marginalized Groups: A Step towards understanding the lives of the Hijras”, paper presented at the International Seminar on *Media and Politics* organized by Department of Mass Communications, **Assam University**, Silchar on 7th December 2017.

2018 “The Bitter Brew: A Historical Study of Tea and the Immigration of Labourers in Cachar”, paper presented at the National Seminar on *Agrarian Relations* organized by Department of History, **M.C.D. College**, Sonai (Assam) on 15th February 2018.

2019 “Socio-Cultural Exclusion, Education and Marginalization: A Case Study of the Hijras in Cachar (Assam)”, paper presented at the International Seminar on *Culture, Tourism, Indigenous People and Sustainable Development* jointly organized by Research Forum

Manipur, Imphal; Centre For Entrepreneurship And Skill Development, Manipur University and Planning Department, Government of Manipur; at Manipur University on 15-17 February 2019.

2019 “Rendering Third Gender Writings: With Special Focus to ‘Endless Bondage’ by Dr. Manobi Bandyopadhyay”, paper presented on one day International Conference on *Women’s Empowerment, Laws, Feminism, Gender Discrimination, Gender Space and Women’s Leadership: Issues and Challenges in 21st Century (Naareevaad-2019)* organized by Krishi Sanskriti, New Delhi (Virtual).

2019 “Marginal Voices: Reading *The Truth About Me* by A. Revathi” paper presented on the two day International Conference on *Interdisciplinary Studies: Redefining Boundaries of Humanities, Science and Social Sciences* organized by English Literary Circle (ELC) Manipur & Manipur University Students Union (MUSU) at Manipur University (Virtual).

2020 Organised a One-day Student Seminar 2020 on *Constitutionalism and the Constitution of India* from Department of Political Science, SSKC on 5th March 2020.

2020 Started First Issue of Wall Magazine named *Politicus* from Department of Political Science, SSKC on 5th March 2020.

2021 “Dalit Women and Education: A Case Study of ‘Sutradhar’ Housewives in Barak Valley” paper presented on the two day International Conference on the *First Pan-NIT Humanities and Social Sciences Research Conclave* organised by Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, NIT Warangal in collaboration with 14 other NITs on 9/01/21, conclave from 8th to 10th January 2021 at **NIT Warangal** (virtual).

Publications

Books

2021 Sutradhar, Ruman. *Muchi Women, Marginalization and Politics: A Documentation of the Lives of Muchi Women Tea Plantation Labourers of Cachar District, Assam*. Kunal Books, ISBN978-81-953651-0-4

2021 Sutradhar, Ruman & Dey, Debasish (Eds.). *Readings in Eastern and Northeast India: Environment, Gender, History and Tribes*, Kunal Books, ISBN 978-93-91908-42-3

2020 Sutradhar, Ruman & Parvin, Mosira (Eds.). *Readings in Sex and Gender: Society, Politics and Education*, N.B. Publications, ISBN 978-93-89234-83-1.

Book Chapters

Sutradhar, Ruman (2022) “Contradiction/Concurrence of Castration and the Fertile Phallus: A Transgender Reading of Ancient Indian Literature”, in *Transgender India: Understanding Third gender Identities and Experiences* edited by Douglas Vakoch, Springer. Doi: https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-96386-6_5

ISBN978-3-030-96385-9

Sutradhar, Ruman (2021) ‘The Bitter Brew: A Historical Study of Tea and Immigration of Labourers in Cachar, Assam’ in *Readings in Eastern and Northeast India: Environment, Gender, History and Tribes* (pp. 94-108) edited by D. Dey & R. Sutradhar, Kunal Books, ISBN 978-93-91908-42-3

Sutradhar, Ruman (2020) ‘Notes on Sex/Gender and the Intersex: Understanding Intersexuality through the lens of Genetic Variations’ in *Readings in Sex and Gender: Society, Politics and Education* (pp. 76-86) edited by R. Sutradhar & M. Parvin, N.B. Publications, ISBN 978-93-89234-83-1.

Sutradhar, Ruman (2020) ‘Marginality Theory in Academic Discourses’, in *Indian Writing and Translation in English: Literature, Culture and Media* edited by M. Subha, Royalite Academic, Kenya, ISBN 9789914704341.

Sutradhar, Ruman (2020) ‘Education Beyond the Gender Binary: A Study on the Hijras of Cachar District, Assam (India)’, in *Education and its Consequences in Present Era* edited by Suman Kalyan Roy & Jayanta Mete, N.B. Publications, ISBN-978-93-89234-57-2, pp. 242-249.

Sutradhar, Ruman (2019) ‘Women, Religion and Marginalization’, in *Anushandhan Vol-II* edited by R. Thengal, C. Wangshu and S. Tokbipi, ISBN 978-93-85229-93-0, M. R. Publication, Guwahati, pp. 34-44.

Sutradhar, Ruman (2019) ‘Media, Democracy and Voice of the Marginalized Groups: With Special Reference to the Homosexuals in India’, in *Mass Media and National Integration* edited by G. P. Pandey, P. Mishra, S. Mishra & R. Goswami, ISBN 81-8324-922-1, Gyan Publications, New Delhi, pp. 219-224.

Sutradhar, Ruman (2019) 'Socio-economic Status of Muchi Women Labourers of Cachar, Assam: A Case Study', in *Development of SCs & STs in Globalised World: Legal Issues and Livelihood Challenges* edited by J. Mete & K. Roy, ISBN 978-93-88879-20-0, New Delhi Publishers, New Delhi, pp. 13-24.

Sutradhar, Ruman (2016) 'Caste, Gender and Marginalization: With Special Reference to the Urban Wage Earners of Cachar', in *The Idea of Caste* edited by V. Dhanaraju, ISBN 978-93-84207-08-3, Dominant Publishers, New Delhi, pp. 185-201.

Sutradhar, Ruman (2015) 'Eve Teasing of the Marginalized Women: Experiences from Cachar (Assam)', in *Eve Teasing: A Social Epidemic* edited by D. Awasthi, ISBN 978-93-5128-142-9, Kalpaz Publications, New Delhi, pp. 205-216.

Articles in Journals

2014 "Silence of the Bengali Dalits of Barak Valley: A Marxist Interpretation", *Economic and Political Weekly*, ISSN 0012-9976, Vol XLIX (41), pp. 75-79, October 11, 2014.

2015 "Has Education Transformed Muchi Women's Lives? A study of Cachar District in Assam", *Economic and Political Weekly*, Web Exclusives, Vol L (15), April 11, 2015.

2014 "Dalit Struggle for Education: With special reference to Barak valley", *International Journal of Science and Research*, Online ISSN 2319-7064, Vol 3 (12), pp. 2167-2171.

2014 "Dalit Movement in India: In the light of four Dalit literatures", *International Organization of Scientific Research-JDMS*, e-ISSN 2279-0853, p-ISSN 2279-0861, Vol 13 (4), Version V, pp. 91-97

2015 "One is Not born a Woman but becomes one: gendered patterns of Women Subordination in India", *International Journal of Science and Research*, Online ISSN 2319-7064, Vol 4 (11), pp. 2771-2775.

2015 "What Caused Marginalization: A Study of the Tea Plantation Women of Cachar", *International Journal of Science and Research*, Online ISSN 2319-7064, Vol 4 (5), pp. 2771-2775.

2018 "Gendered Media, Identity and the Marginalized Groups: Understanding the lives of India's Third Gender", *Gurukul International Multidisciplinary Research Journal*, ISSN 2394-8426, Vol VII (I), Issue I, pp. 23-27, 30 April 2018.

2018 “Has Babasaheb’s Principles of Social Justice Reached the Depressed Classes of Cachar”, *Gurukul International Multidisciplinary Research Journal*, ISSN 2394-8426, Special Issue on Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar’s Global Vision-2018, pp. 11-17, 14 April 2018.

2018 “Transgender, Transphobia and Marginalization: An Overview”, *Pratidwani The Echo*, ISSN 22785264, Vol VI, Issue III, pp. 253-259.

Other pieces

Sutradhar, Ruman (April 2012) “Gender Inequality”, published in *Bibartan*, Ist issue, Silchar.

Sutradhar, Ruman & Dey, Debasish (**February 20, 2015**) “Stale Food, Naked Body and Torn Tents Over Head”, published in *Countercurrents.org*

Sutradhar, Ruman (**March 19, 2020**) “Women to Prepare Fuel, Kids to Catch Fish, Yet Elders Lack Nutrition”, published in *Countercurrents.org*