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Educational Qualifications- B.A. (Pune) 1990; M.A.(Pune)1992;
M.Phil.(Pune)1994; Ph.D. (Pune) 1996

Professional Experience- taught for three years at undergraduate level
(H.V Desai College, Pune) 1994-97
Faculty, University of Pune since 1997

Research supervision: Ph. D. (completed): - two working: five
M. Phil. (completed): seven working: three

Teaching Experience (Subjects/Courses Taught)

Constitutional Process in India, Political process in India, Modern Political Thinkers, Social and Political Movements in India, Modern Indian Political Thought, Class, Marxist Political Sociology, Women and Politics, Political Economy of India, Development Studies, Global Politics from Above and Below

Research Interests-

Indian Politics- politics of the poor, urban processes, caste in contemporary India, political economy of religion, comparative studies of Indian states
Political Thinking in India- 19th and 20th century political thought in Maharashtra, Gandhian traditions of thought

Other information-

ICCR visiting professor, Rajiv Gandhi chair in Contemporary Indian Studies, University of Technology, Sydney, Australia, July- November 2014
UKIERI Visiting Fellow, King's India Institute, London, April-May 2012

Adjunct Fellow, Indian School of Political Economy, Pune, 2010-

Maharashtra Foundation, USA- Fellowship for research on Maharashtra 1998-1999

Member, editorial board of the journal *Asian Politics and Policy*, Wiley Blackwell, Washington DC (2008-10)

Member, editorial managing team, *Studies in Indian Politics*, Lokniti/CSDS Journal, Sage Publishers 2013-

(also coordinates the forum on Teaching and Learning Politics in India in the journal)

Member, Lokniti network (a nationwide network of Political Scientists in India), CSDS, Delhi – coordinates the activities of the Lokniti regional centre at Pune.

Member of the NCERT textbook committee for Political Science textbook for std XII- Politics of India since Independence, 2007.

Member, Interview Schedule designing Committee, National Election Studies, 2009 and 2014

Member of the committee to prepare school level encyclopedia of Civics, appointed by the textbook bureau of the Maharashtra Govt.

Prepared Political Science textbooks for the YCMOU, Nashik.

Secretary, M.Phil. Committee of the Department, 2004-2010

Secretary, Student Teacher Committee of the Department, 1997-2001

Shri Yashwantrao Chavan Gold Medal of University of Pune for securing highest marks in M. A. Politics May 1992.

Savitribai Phule Scholarship of Government of Maharashtra 1987-1990 (upon securing second rank in the state level merit list of the HSC examination in March 1987).

Research Work

Work in Progress

The Gender Gap in Indian Elections: Analysis of the National Election Studies data of 1971-2014 elections in India.

Changing Social Bases of Political Parties in India: Case of Maharashtra, CSSH, SPPU, 2014-15

Hamal Panchayat and TMKTPS : A comparative study of two informal sector workers' unions, 2015-16.

Completed-

Comparative State Politics and Public Policy in India, Lokniti, CSDS and British Academy, 2011-2014

Comparing States: Towards a better Understanding of the Region and the Nation, Lokniti CSDS and ICSSR, New Delhi 2011-2014

The Woman Constituency: Domestic Workers, Social Security and Gender Politics in Two States, funded by the British Academy and University of Pune

Political Economy of Religiosity in Contemporary India; SAP and CAS, Dept of Politics University of Pune

Locating the Local Bases of Politics: Collection of District Level Sources of Political Action, BCUD, University of Pune, 2009-11 (report submitted to the BCUD).

Electoral Choices and Political Opinions: Comparative Study of Maharashtra and Gujarat, NES, CSDS New Delhi. (Major Research Project sanctioned by the UGC 2009-2011.)-report submitted to the UGC

Role of Caste Associations in Contemporary Indian Politics, University of Pune, BCUD Research Grant, (2006-2008), report submitted, occasional paper based on the research published by the Department, a research paper published.

Patterns of Generational Mobility in Pune City, Lokniti, CSDS and University of Pune, with Suhas Palshikar, 2007-08, a research article published in the EPW, March 2008.

Political Mobilisation of the Urban Informal Sector Workers in Maharashtra, Special Assistance Programme, (2002-07).

Trends in Political Participation among Indian Women, as part of the National Election Studies, CSDS, New Delhi, two research papers published in the EPW in 2004 and 2009.

Caste-Occupation Linkages in Pune City, DSA, 2002- 2003, research paper based on the findings published in 2004.

Life and Politics in Pune's Slums, DSA, 2002- 2003, a research paper based on the findings was prepared.

Politics of the Informal sector workers: a Case Study of Hamal Panchayat in Pune, 1998-1999, Maharashtra Foundation, USA, report submitted in May 1999.

Publications- Books and Journal Articles

Books

2011-*Acharya Shankar Dattatraya Javadekar* (Marathi), (An intellectual biography of Acharya Javadekar) Gandharvaved Prakashan, Pune.

forthcoming

Tillin Louise, Rajeshwari Deshpande and Kailash KK (ed), *Politics of Welfare: Comparisons Across Indian States*, Oxford University Press, Delhi and London, September 2015

Rajeshwari Deshpande and Suhas Palshikar (ed) *Maharashtra Contextualized: Comparing Politics across Indian states* (ed) with Suhas Palshikar manuscript ready for publication

Sandeep Shastri and Rajeshwari Deshpande (ed) *Patterns of Voting Behaviour in Indian Elections: 1996-2014* Manuscript under preparation

Monographs

2010- *Caste Associations in the Post-Mandal Era Notes from Maharashtra, CAS Occasional Paper Series: No. 2*, Department of Politics and Public Admn, University of Pune, Pune.

2008- *Intergenerational Occupational Mobility across Caste Groups: A Study of Pune*

- City, with Suhas Palshikar, *Report of the CSSH project*
- 2005-State and Democracy in India: Strategies of Accommodation and Manipulation, *Occasional Paper, series III, no.4*, Dept of Politics, University of Pune, August
- 2003- Informal Sector Workers in Pune City: Four Narratives, DSA, Department of Politics and Public Administration, University of Pune.
- 2001- Pune: from City to metropolis, *Exploratory study no 1*, DSA, Department of Politics and Public Administration, University of Pune.

Research Articles in Books

Published

- 2014- *Bhagwangadavarun Mala Mumbai Disate Aahe'*: How Caste Survives Amidst Democratic Politics, in Dusan Deak and Daniel Thorner (ed), *Rethinking Western India: The Changing Contexts of Culture, Society and Religion*, Orient Blackswan, Delhi
- 2014- *Lokshahiche Bhan, Janandolane ani Stree Chalwal*, (Marathi- Awareness of Democracy, Agitational Politics and Women's Movement) in Vandana Bhagwat, Anil Sapkal and Geetali V M (ed), *Sandharbhasahit Streevad*, Shabd Publication, Borivali, pp 124-130.
- 2014- *Tokdar Jaat Asmitanche Rajkaran* (Marathi- Caste identities in Indian Politics) in Uttam Kamble (ed), *Jaagtikikarnatil Sanskriti Sangharsh*, Pune Sugawa Prakashan
- 2013- Who Does Not Want Pune to Become Singapore? Politics of development in an Emerging Metropolis, in Ian Shirley and others (ed.), *Asian and Pacific Cities : Development patterns*, pp 138-150, Routledge, London.
- 2012- Getting Elected: New Institutional mechanisms and Issues related to Women's Representation in Indian Federalism, in Shaun Haulin and others (ed) *Ethnicity, Diversity and Equality and Unity in Diversity for Development: proceedings of the 5th International Conference on Federalism, Forum of Federations*, Quebec.
- 2012- *Samkaleen Dharmakaran ani Artha Rajkiya Tanebane* (Marathi- Contemporary Religiosity and the politico-economic complexities), introduction in *Unique Features, Devachya Navane* (Marathi, In the Name of God), pp 16-24, Samkaleen Prakashan, Pune
- 2010- Garv Se Kahon Hum Lingayat Hain!: Caste Associations and Identity Politics in Maharashtra, in Ashutosh Kumar (ed.) *Regions within Regions: Understanding State politics in India*, Orient Longman.
- 2010- The Missing Women: Gender Representation in Indian Politics, in Ajay Mehra (ed.), *Emerging Trends in Indian Politics the 15th General Elections*, Routledge, New Delhi pp 217-238.
- 2010- *Jagatikikarn, Lokshahi ani Garibanche Rajkaran* (Marathi-Globalization, Democracy and Politics of the Poor) in Uttam Kamble (ed) *Jaagtikikarnachi Arishte (the Globalization Crisis)*, Lokvangmaya Griha, Mumbai, pp 195-206.
- 2008- Bhakti Marg Becomes Shakti Marg: Tale of A Devsthan in Maharashtra, with Suhas Palshikar, in M. Naito and others (ed.), *Marg: Ways of Liberation, Empowerment and Social Change in Maharashtra*, Manohar, New Delhi, pp 357-380.
- 2007- Congress, in Suhas Palshikar and Suhas Kulkarni (ed.), *Maharashtraatil Sattasngharsha: Rajkiya Pakshanchi Vatchal (Marathi- the Power Play in Maharashtra)*, Samkaaleen Prakashan, Pune pp22-48.
- 2006- *Vanchitanच्या Chalwaliche Yashapayash*, (Marathi- The Social Movements of the Marginalized: Successes and Failures) in Kishor Bedkihal and Bhaskar Bholy (ed.) *Shatkantarachya Valnavar*, Dr Ambedkar Academy, Satara, pp 96-112
- 2004- Inevitability and Inadequacy of Caste: Some Dilemmas for Mobilisation of Backward Classes, in B.V.Bhosale(ed), *Mobilisation of Backward Communities in India*, Deep and Deep Publications, New Delhi, pp 200-216
- 2004- Social Movements in Crisis? in Rajendra Vora and Suhas Palshikar (ed), *Indian Democracy Meanings and Practices*, Sage Publications, New Delhi, 2004, pp379- 409.

- 2000-Satyagraha : Linking Moral with Political, in S.N.Datye(ed), *Rethinking Mahatma Gandhi*, Kalinga Publications, Delhi, pp 91-108.
- 2000 -Acharya Balshastri Jambhekar: Sankrramankalatil Madhyamvargachi Pathrakhan (Marathi- *Supporting the Transitional Middle Class*) -in *Aadhunikta ani Parampara* (Dr. Y. D. Phadke felicitation volume)edited by Rajendra Vora Pratima Prakashan, Pune, pp111-142.
- 1996- Vinobanche Swarajya Shastra- Vinoba Vichar Darshan, (Marathi) (ed.) Chandrashekher Dharmadhikari and Raghunath Kulkarni, Gram Seva Mandal, Wardha, pp436-445.

forthcoming

The Civil Society and its Paradoxical Consensus, in Lancy Lobo (ed), *Indian Democracy: Strengths and Weaknesses* (publisher to be decided) (accepted)

The Woman Constituency: Domestic Workers, Social Security and Gender Politics in Two States, in Tillin Louise, Rajeshwari Deshpande and Kailash KK (ed), *Politics of Welfare: Comparisons Across Indian States*, Oxford University Press, Delhi and London, forthcoming

Articles in Journals

- 2015- *Nayakkendri Lokshahiche Jagtik Awishkar* (Marathi- Global Expressions of Leader centric Democracy), Anubhav, May, pp 40-45.
- 2014-Seeking OBC Status: Political Strategies of Two Dominant Castes, *Studies in Indian Politics*, Volume 2, No 2, June- December, pp 169-183
- 2014- Maharashtra: the End of the Congress System? (co authored with Nitin Birmal), *Research Journal Social Sciencnes*, Punjab University, Chandigarh, Volume 22, No 2, pp 152-160.
- 2014- *Sarvajaniktechya Sankochacha Dhoka* (Marathi- Shrinking of the idea of Publicness), *Loksatta Diwali* issue pp 50-56
- 2014- *Rajkarnatil Adrushya Striya* (Marathi- The missing women in Indian Politics), *Shabadeep- Sakal*, special Diwali issue, November
- 2014- *Kya Chahti Hein Voter Aurate?* (Hindi- What do women voters want?), *Pratiman*, New Delhi, January- June, pp 173-182.
- 2014- *Aam Admi Party ani Tiche Naitik Pech* (Marathi *Moral Dilemmas of the Aam Admi party*), Anubhav, January.
- 2013- *Political Science in India: Who teaches what to whom and what for?*, *Studies in Indian Politics*, Vol I no I, June- Dec, pp 97-101
- 2012- *Aamhi and Te: Atmabhan, Asmita and Hitasambandha*, (Marathi- Us and Them:Self Awareness, Identities and Interests), Anubhav special Diwali issue, Pune, November-December
- 2011- How Does the System Encourage Academic Dishonesty? *Economic and Political Weekly*, vol 46, no.8, Feb 19-25, pp 14-16.
- 2011- *Lokshahi Rajkiya Vyaharatil Gunta ani Samajik Chalwali*, (Marath- Intricacies of Democratic Politics and Social Movements), *Parivartanacha Watsaru*, Special issue to celebrate diamond jubilee of the Indian constitution, February16-28, pp-30-35.
- 2010- *Jat Asmita: Pokal Dave Akramak Rajkaran* (Marathi- Caste Identities: Vacuous Claims and Aggressive Politics), *Anubhav*, special issue to commemorate golden jubilee of State of Maharashtra, May, pp 52-58.
- 2009- Maharashtra Polls: Continuity amidst Social Volatility, (with Suhas Palshikar and Nitin Birmal),

- Economic and Political Weekly*, Nov 28- Dec 4, pp 42-47
- 2009- Breaking Free of the Post- Mandal Deadlock, *Seminar*, no. 601, special issue on Republic of Ideas, September, pp 76-80.
- 2009- How did Women Vote in Elections 2009?, *Economic and Political Weekly*, special issue on National Election Studies, Vol XLIV, no 39, September 26, pp 83-87.
- 2009-Maharashtra: Congress-NCP Manages Victory, (first author) *Economic and Political Weekly*, special issue on National Election Studies, Vol XLIV, no 39, September 26, pp 136-140.
- 2008- Patterns of Occupational Mobility : How Much Does Caste Matter? (first author), *Economic and Political Weekly*, vol 43, no 34, 23-29 August, pp 61-70.
- 2007-How much Does the City Help Dalits? Life of Dalits in Pune: Overview of a Century, in *Indian Journal of Social Work*, Vol 68, Issue1, Jan-March , Pp 130-151.
- 2006- Maharashtra: Politics of Anxieties, Frustrations and Outrage, *Economic and Political Weekly*, vol.41, No. 14, April 8-14, pp 1304-07.
- 2006- Riot of Researchers, *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol.41, No. 33, August 19-25 2006, pp 3561-3562
- 2004-How Gendered was Women's Participation in Elections 2004? , *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol. 39, No.51, 18-24 Dec, pp 5431-5436.
- 2004-Reservations to Kunbi Marathas: Backward Journey of a Caste, *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol 39, No. 14and 15, April3-10, pp 1448-1449.
- 2003- Gujarat: Prasthapitanche Rajkaran, (Marathi) *Samaj Prabodhan Patrika*, Jan Mar, pp 8-31.
- 2003-Maharashtra: Challenges before the Congress System, with Suhas Palshikar, *Journal of Indian School of Political Economy*, vol 15 Jan-Jun 2003, No.1 and 2, pp97-122
- 1999-Organising the Unorganised : The Case of Hamal Panchayat, *Economic and Political Weekly*, vol 34, no. 39, Sept25-Oct1, pp-L19-L26
- 1999-Electoral Competiton and Structures of Domination in Maharashtra, with Suhas Palshikar, *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol.34, No. Aug 21-27/28-Sept3, pp2409-2422.
- 1995-Acharya Javdekar Yancha Gandhi Vicharacha Anwayartha, (Marathi),*Navbharat*, Wai, vol.48, no. 4-6, Jan-March pp55-62.

In addition to these, I have also contributed over 50 articles to newspapers in Marathi and English

Invited Lectures

2015- Madhu Dandvate Memorial Lecture- Nayakkendri Lokshahiche Jaagtik Awishkar (Marathi- Global Expressions of Leadercentric Democracy), Keshav Goray Smarak Trust, Mumbai, 17th February

2014-UTS -ICCR lecture on India- Domestic Workers, Social Security and Gender Politics in India, 1stSeptember , University of Technology, Sydney.

2014- New Zealand India Research Institute, Victoria University, Wellington- Women's Vote in Indian Elections: Has Gender Arrived?, 29thSeptember .

2014-New Zealand India Research Institute, University of Canterbury, Christchurch- Women's Vote in Indian Elections: Has Gender Arrived?, 2nd October.

- 2014-The Department of Politics and International Relations and Purai, University of Newcastle, Newcastle, Australia-Domestic Workers, Social Security and Gender Politics in India,27th Oct.
- 2014-The Women and Work Research Group, University of Sydney, Australia, Domestic Workers, Social Security and Gender Politics in India, 4th Nov.
- 2012- The Maratha Question: Predicament of a Dominant Caste, King's India Institute, King's College, London
May 3rd.
- 2012- Sacred and the Secular Journeys of Power: Rise of *Devasthans* in Maharashtra, SAP, Department of Political Science, Central University Hyderabad, March 19
- 2011- State Discourses on Group Rights, Department of Political Science, Gauhati University, Guwahati, March 5.
- 2011- Tilak, Gandhi and Javdekar, S P College, Pune, 1st August
- 2009- Madhyamvargache Swaroop ani Rajkaran, Vicharvedh Sameelan, Satara, 13th January
- 2005- Vanchitanchya Chalwalinche Yashapayash, Vicharvedh Sammelan, Mangaon, 15th December

Conference/ seminar presentations

- 2015-Maharashtra: Electoral Shifts and Social Volatility, ICSSR National seminar on Understanding the 2014 General Election Mandate and its impact on National Politics, Lokniti and Department of Political Science, MLS University, Udaipur, February 5-7.
- 2015-Domestic Workers and Social Security Policies in Two states, Theird Azim Premji International Conference on Law, Public Policy and Governance, Azim Premji University, Banglore, January 9 and 10.
- 2014- Political Economy of a Dominant Caste (with Suhas Palshikar), International Conference on Political Economy in India, IGIDR, Mumbai; University of California Berkeley and King's College, London, in Mumbai, November 20-21
- 2014-Contested Interactions: Politics of Jaitapur Nuclear Power Plant in Maharashtra, 15th International Conference on Maharashtra Culture and Society, Arizona State University, USA, April
- 2014- Maharashtra: End of the Congress System?, International Seminar on Indian Elections in 2014, King's India Institute, King's College, London, June 10-11
- 2013-Satyagrahi Samajwad: Javdekar's Idea of Modern India, national seminar on the 'Knowledge of Democracy and Democracy of Knowledge' at Department of Political Science, Delhi University, Feb 21-22
- 2013- The Civil Society and its Paradoxical Consensus, national seminar on Indian Democracy: Strengths and Weaknesses, at the centre for Culture and Development, Vadodara, March 15-16
- 2013- How did the State Handle Religious Nationalism?, national seminar on 'Religious Nationalism and the Secular Welfare State, Department of Sociology, University of Pune, March 12-13.
- 2012- Dalit Migrations to the City: How much does the city help Dalits? , 14th International Maharashtra Conference, University of Mumbai, January 6-8
- 2011- Identity Formation and the Caste Question, international workshop on 'Comparing Social Configurations: Issues of Identity, Representation and Social Justice, Lokniti, CSDS and

- the Dept of Politics and Public Admn, University of Pune, 17-20 Decmeber
- 2010- Getting Elected: New Instituional mechanisms and Issues related to Women's representation in Indian Federalism, 5th International Conference on Federalism, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Dec 13-16.
- 2010- 'Bhagwangadavarun Mala Mumbai Disate Aahe': How Caste Survives Amidst Democratic Politics, 13th International Conference on Maharashtra Culture and Society, University of Saint Cyril and Methodius, Bratislava, Slovakia, 17-19 June.
- 2010- State Discourses on Group Rights: Strategies of Accommodation and Manipulation, National Seminar on 'Democracy, Identity and Group Rights' at 'Women's College' Shillong, 22-23 March.
- 2010- Jayprakash Narayan and the Gandhian Legacy, National Seminar on 'Gandhi and his Contemporaries' at the Gandhian Studies Centre, Shivaji University, Kolhapur, 18-20 March.
- 2009- 'Politics of Two Dominant Castes in Maharashtra and Karnataka' International Seminar on 'Contextualizing Maharashtra: Towards Comparing Indian States', Department of Politics and Public Admn, University of Pune, Pune, 21-22 December.
- 2009- Suddenly Women Are Everywhere, International Roundtable on 'Political Parties and Civil Society in federal Countries', Jain University, Bengaluru, September 4.
- 2009- Politics of Dominance/ Narratives of Deprivation: Backward Journey of a Caste?, Professor D.L. Sheth Felicitation Seminar at CSDS, New Delhi, March 2-3.
- 2008- The Missing Women of Indian Politics, National Smeinar on 15th Genral Elections and the Emerging Trends in Indian Politics, Centre for Public Affairs and Heinrich Boll Foundation Delhi, Nov 6-7.
- 2008-Who Does Not Want Pune to Become Singapore? Politics of Development in an Emerging Metropolis, Asia Pacific Metropolitan Development Forum, China Executive Leadership Academy, Pudong, Shanghai, 2-4 November .
- 2007-Garv se Kaho Hum Lingayat Hain!: Caste Associations and Identity Politics in Two Indian States, National seminar on Regions within Regions: Patterns of State Politics in India, Panjab University, Chandigarh, 25-27 Feb.
- 2006-Role of Caste Associations in Contemporary Indian Politics: Notes from Maharashtra, National seminar on Caste in Contemporary India, Department of Politics and Public Admn., University of Pune, 20-21 Dec.
- 2006-Formal and Informal Journeys of Power: Caste Fragmentation and Coalitional Politics in an Indian State, XXth World Congress of Political Science, International Political Science Association, Fukuoka, Japan, 9-13 July.
- 2006-State of the Nation: Challenges for Interpretation, National seminar on Emerging Challenges before Indian Nationalism, Dept of Politics, Shivaji University, Kolhapur, 28-29 March, 2006.
- 2006- Limited Access to Democracy: Indian State in the 1990s, International Conference on State and Democracy in India, Centre for Political Studies, JNU, Delhi, 23-24 March.
- 2006-Trends in Political Participation among Women: Has Gender Arrived?, National Conference of Women's Studies Centres, TISS Mumbai, 8-10 march.
- 2006-Whatever Happened to Democratisation? : Manipulative Practices of the Indian State, National seminar on Indian Politics: Theory and Practices, Dept of Political Science, M.S.University Vadodara, 16-17 Feb.
- 2006- Life and politics in Pune's slums, 'Cities and Social Lives: Issues of Infrastructure, Governance and Citizenship', Department of Sociology, University of Pune and YASHADA, 18-19 Feb.
- 2004- Satyagraha as Krantishastra: Reading Gandhi with Javdekar, Reconstructing the Democratic Concerns in India, Centre for the Study of Developing Societies, New Delhi, 8-10 October.
- 2004- Limited Access to Democracy: Slum as a Location of the Politics of the Disprivileged? , Seventh Subaltern Studies Conference, Centre for the Study of Developing Societies,

New Delhi, 5-9 January .

- 2003- Living without Assets in a City, *Tenth International Maharashtra Conference*, University of Pune, 3-5 August.
- 2002-Appropriating Gandhian Legacy in the Post-Independence India: Vinoba and Jayprakash Narayan, *national seminar on Gandhian Thought* at the Dept of Political Science, Dr Ambedkar Matrahwada University, Aurangabad, 23-24 December .
- 2000-Inevitability and Inadequacy of Caste: Some Dilemmas for Mobilisation of Dalits and OBCs, at the national seminar on '*Mobilisation of Backward Communities: Problems and Prospects*', Dept of Sociology ,University of Pune, 28-29 Feb.
- 2000- Caste in a Metropolis : Socio-Economic Profile of Dalits in Pune, at the national seminar on *Marginalised Communities : Social and Linguistic Problems* , Dept of Sociology, University of Mumbai, 3-5 Feb.
- 2000-Social Movements and the Crisis of Political Representation, at the workshop on *Understanding Indian Politics*, Dept of politics, University of Pune, 28-30 Jan.
- 1999-Welfare State in the post- Liberalisation Era, at national seminar on '*Liberalisation and Welfare State in South Indian States*', Department of Political Science, Madras University, Chennai, 6-8 August.
- 1999-Satyagraha: Linking Moral with Political, national seminar on *Gandhi's Thought and Leadership* organised by the Dept of Political Science, Dr. Ambedkar Marathwada University, Aurangabad, 7-9 April.
- 1997-Corruption and Beyond-Potentials of Satyagrahi Politics-at international seminar on '*Global Unity*' organised by 'Acharya Kul', Wardha, Oct 2-4.
- 1994-Acharya Javdekar's Interpretation of Gandhi- *Acharya Javdekar's birth centenary Seminar*, Department of politics, University of Pune, December.

Seminars/ conferences organized

- 2013- Electoral Trends and Voting Behavior in India: 1996-2009, seminar in collaboration with the Lokniti, CSDS, Delhi
- 2012- Theorizing Electoral Politics in India with the NES Data, workshop in collaboration with Lokniti, CSDS, at Delhi, August 23-25
- 2012- Comparative State Politics and Public Policy in India, with King's India Institute and Lokniti, CERSSE, Bengaluru, June 13-15.
- 2011- Comparative State Politics in India: Comparing Social Configurations, international workshop in collaboration with the Lokniti, CSDS, Delhi at Yashada, Pune, 17-20 December
- 2010- workshop on *Electoral Ethnographies in Maharashtra*, March 6
- 2009- International Seminar on '*Contextualizing Maharashtra: Towards Comparing Indian States*', Department of Politics and Public Admn, University of Pune, Pune, 21-22 December.
- 2009- three day training workshop for students and field investigators under the major research project on *Electoral Choices and Political Opinions: Comparative Study of Maharashtra and Gujarat*, April 20-21
- 2006- National seminar on *Caste in Contemporary India* Department of Politics and Public Admn., University of Pune, 20-21 Dec.

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