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**Present professional position**

Professor, Department of History, University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad

Former professional position

Professor, Department of Ancient Indian History & Culture, University of Calcutta (till 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2020)

**Acted as Invited Faculty**

Department of Archaeology (2002-2019) and History (2001-Mid July,2020), University of Calcutta.

**Administrative functions held**

2009-2013 Co-ordinator M.Phil Programme.

2008-2010 Chairperson of the Department.

**Cursus**

1984 B.A. (History Honours), 1<sup>st</sup> class 2<sup>nd</sup>, Gauhati University, Assam.

1987 M.A. Ancient Indian History and Culture, special subject being ‘Epigraphy and Numismatics’, 1<sup>st</sup> class 1<sup>st</sup>, University of Calcutta. Awarded Gold medal.

1989 Qualified in the National Eligibility Test for **Junior Research Fellowship** in History, conducted by the University Grants Commission, India.

- 1991 Completed a Three-Year Diploma course in French (Diplôme de langue française) from the Alliance Française, Calcutta.
- 1998 Submission of Ph.D. thesis written under the supervision of Prof. B.N. Mukherjee, then Carmichael Professor, Department of Ancient Indian History and Culture, University of Calcutta. Title of the thesis: “The Yavanas in the Indo-Iranian Borderlands – A Socio- Economic and Cultural Study (3<sup>rd</sup> century BC-1st century AD)”.
- 1998 Stood first in a six-month course in **East Indian Palaeography**, organized by the Centre for Archaeological Studies and Training, Eastern India, Calcutta.
- 2000 Joined Calcutta University as Lecturer.
- 2002 Awarded the Ph.D. Degree.
- 2006 Appointed as Reader.
- 2009 Promoted to the rank of Associate Professor.
- 2016 Promoted to the rank of Professor with effect from 2013.

#### **Other professional responsibilities held/holding**

- a) Area Editor, South Asia, *The Encyclopedia of Ancient History: Asia and Africa*, Wiley Blackwell (2017--).
- b) Member, Academic Council, Sanchi Buddhist University, Sanchi.
- c) Member, Board of Studies, History, Council for Undergraduate Studies, University of Calcutta.
- d) Member, Executive Committee, Indian Association for Asia and Pacific Studies, Kolkata.
- e) Member, Board of Studies, History, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad.
- f) Member Board of Studies, History, Central University of Karnataka, Kalaburagi
- g) Member Board of Studies, History, North Eastern Hill University, Shillong, Meghalaya.
- h) Member Board of Studies, History, Cotton University, Guwahati, Assam.
- i) Member, Publication Committee, *Pratna Samiksha: A Journal of Archaeology*, Centre for Archaeological Studies and Training, Eastern India, Kolkata

- j) Member Editorial Board, *Journal of Indian Ocean Archaeology*, New Delhi.
- k) Member Editorial Board, *Journal of History, Art and Archaeology*, Gurgaon.
- l) Member, Advisory Committee, *Journal of Historical Research*, Dibrugarh University, Assam.
- m) Former Member of the Physical Verification Committee, Indian Museum (2008-2015, April).
- n) Former Secretary, Indian Association for Asia and Pacific Studies, Kolkata.
- o) Former Member, Executive Committee, Indian History Congress (two terms)
- p) Former Member, Publication Committee and Historical and Archaeological Committee, The Asiatic Society, Kolkata.
- q) Former Member, Board of Studies, History, Rajiv Gandhi University, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh

#### **Academic Achievements (Awards and Prizes)**

- a) 2003 and 2006: Visiting Professor for two one-month stints in Paris through the Fondation Maison des Sciences de l'Homme under the Indo-French programme.
- b) 2008, 2009, 2011, 2014: Short-term visiting fellowships in Paris through the Fondation Maison des Sciences de l'Homme.
- c) 2003: Awarded the best paper prize in the Ancient India Section of the Indian History Congress, held in Mysore, 2003.
- d) 2009: Awarded the Charles Wallace Visiting Fellowship, UK. Awarded by Charles Wallace Trust of which the British Council is a partner.
- e) 2009: Awarded the B.B. Chaudhuri prize for Best Paper in Economic and Social History by the Indian history Congress.
- f) 2012: Awarded the Nehru Trust UK Travel Award for visiting museums in the UK in connection with the project "Looking at our shared past through Buddhist Votive Tablets/Sealings across South Asia and Southeast Asia".

- g) 2014: Awarded ‘The Empowering Network For International Thai and Asean Studies’ (ENITAS) fellowship by the Institute of South-east Asian Studies, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand.
- h) 2016: Awarded Lowick memorial grant for Oriental Studies by the Royal Numismatic Society, London, UK
- i) 2017: Awarded Honorary Fellowship by the International Centre for Bengal Art Studies, Dhaka.
- j) 2017: Received the Savitri Chandra Shobha Memorial Prize of Indian History Congress, for the book *From the Oxus to the Indus: A Political and Cultural Study*, published by Primus Books.
- k) 2018: Received the *Directeurs d’Études Associés* fellowship from the Fondation Maison des Sciences de l’Homme, Paris, September-October, 2018.

### **Previous Projects**

- a) Was a co-investigator in a project entitled, “**India’s Past Cultural Fabrics in Southeast Asia: A Study of Dvaravati Civilization of Ancient Siam**”, with Professor Lipi Ghosh, Dept. of South and South East Asian Studies, University of Calcutta.
- b) Was a co-investigator in a project entitled “**Archaeology and History of Central and South Vietnam, 1st-10th c. AD. in relation to its linkage with India**”, with Dr. Bishnupriya Basak of the Dept. of Archaeology and Dr. Sayantani Pal of the Dept. of Ancient Indian History & Culture, Calcutta University.
- c) Principal investigator in a Project for writing a book on “**Writing Regional History: Southeastern Bangladesh (c. 600CE-1300 CE)**”.

All the three projects were funded by the University Grants Commission within the University of Potential Excellence Scheme of Calcutta University.

- d) Co-investigator in a project on “**Land holding, the Recording of Property Transfer and the Formation of Kingdoms: the Comparative Experience of**

**Medieval Scotland and Early Medieval Bengal**” with Dr John Reuben Davis Prof. Swapna Bhattacharya and Dr. Sayantani Pal. This is a Glasgow University and Calcutta University joint initiative funded by British Academy, London, UK.

- e) Was member of the Project on **The Southern East-West Corridor in the Context of ASEAN Integration** of the ASEAN Studies Center of Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok

### **Present Projects**

- f) Co-investigator in a project on “**Early India’s interaction with early South-east Asia: Re-interpreting the old and opening up new vistas** » funded by the University Grants Commission within the University of Potential Excellence Scheme, Phase II, India Looking East Programme of Calcutta University
- g) One of the Members of Project Mausam (*‘Mausam: Maritime Routes and Cultural Landscapes’* ) , a multidisciplinary project designed by the **Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India**, the nodal agency being *Indira Gandhi National Centre of Arts* since March 2020.

### **International Lecture Invitations**

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| 2006 | Lecture on Political Geography of Bengal at the Institute of Indology, Berlin, Germany.   |
| 2009 | Lecture at Ruhr University, Bochum, Germany, on Buddhism in Early Medieval Southeastern Bengal.   |
| 2011 | Lecture on the Buddhist site of Mainamati at Collège de France, Paris, France.  |
| 2015 | Lecture on Harikela and its Sphere of Interaction organized by Chittagong Heritage Society and University, Bangladesh.                            |
| 2016 | Was a member of delegation from University of Calcutta to Dagon University, Myanmar and delivered lectures in the department of Oriental Studies. |

## **Memorial Lectures**

2010: Justice Binayak Nath Banerjee Memorial Lecture, 2010-2011, on 'Hellenism in North West India.'

2011: Adhir Chakravarti Memorial Lecture on 'The Trans Meghna Region: Towards An Understanding of its Economy and Linkages'(c. 500-1300CE).

2015 : B.N.Mukherjee Memorial Lecture on *Southeastern Bangladesh and its linkages*

## **Sectional President**

2019- Was Sectional President, Ancient India section for the Annual Conference of Pashchimbanga Itihas Sansad, in January

2019- Sectional President, Ancient India for the Indian History Congress held on 28th, 29th and 30th December, 2019 at Kannur, Kerala

2020- Sectional President, Ancient India for the Punjab History Congress held at Punjabi University, Patiala on 28th, 29th February and 1st march, 2020.

## **Video Lectures (2011-2013, 2017, 2019)**

Eleven video Lectures and academic materials on Ancient and Early Medieval India, was delivered as a part of NME-ICT Project of MHRD, Government of India , done by EMMRC, Kolkata for UGC Website

2017 : Delivered number of video lectures for E Pathshala, A MHRD Project of the Government of India. Co-ordinator of the module on **Indian Polity** for the above mentioned project.

2019 : Video lecture conducted by EMMRC, Kolkata for UGC and Sahapedia, New Delhi

## **Lecture Invitations**

2016 : Invited by ICHR to deliver lectures in a workshop on Epigraphy in July, 2016.

2016 (September) Coordinator of a workshop on Early Indian Epigraphy organized by The Asiatic Society, Kolkata and the Department of Ancient Indian History & Culture, University of Calcutta,

2015-2017 : Acted as resource persons in various workshops on Epigraphy and Numismatics, organized by Bihar Heritage Society and Jnan Prabha, Varanasi

2017 (March) Invited to deliver two lectures on *Everyday Life in Early India and Copper-Plate charters* at IIT Gandhinagar.

2017 (July) Invited by the Allahabad Museum to speak on *Buddhist Clay tablets and Sema Stones in Dvaravati Period of Thailand: Studying their Content and Style*

2019 (March) Invited by the Allahabad Museum to speak on *Through land, river and sea: Linking Ganga valley to Southeast Asia via regions of Bengal / Assam*

2019 (April) Invited by the History Department, Ashoka University to speak in their Spring lecture series on *The Quotidian Practices : Perspectives from the North-West of India.*

### **Web lectures 2020/2021**

1. Invited by Karwan Heritage Society to speak on ‘The Indo-Iranian Borderlands: Deep Hellenism to Fading imprints (300BCE-100BCE)’, 20th May, 2020
2. Invited by Serampore Girls’ College to speak on ‘Post Mauryan Economy: Viewing the Trade Network’, 9th July, 2020
3. Invited by Ramakrishna Vidyamandira University to speak on ‘The Quotidian Practices of Early Bengal’, 29th July, 2020.
4. Invited by New Alipore College to speak on ‘Urbanization in early India : A few case studies’, 31st July, 2020.
5. Invited by Allahabad University to deliver a lecture in the **Kaushambi Lecture series** on ‘Viewing Urban Centres as Spaces for Convergence: A few Case Studies from Early India’, 4<sup>th</sup> August, 2020
6. Invited by Diamond Harbour Women’s University to speak on ‘Pursuit of Leisure and Hellenistic Oikumene of Early North-western Borderlands of India’, 14th August, 2020.
7. Invited by Rishi Bankim Chandra College, Naihati, 24 Pgs (N) and Dr. Kanailal Bhattacharya College, Howrah to speak on ‘Perceiving a pluralistic Ecumene in Early

India: Case Studies in Gujarat, Konkan and Southeastern Bangladesh’, 29<sup>th</sup> September, 2020

8. Invited by Freiburg University, Germany in their BaSaR Project, 'Beyond the Silk Road' to speak on 'The Ports of Barbarikon and Barygaza: Tracing their Local and Global Connectivity', 27th November, 2020.
9. Virasat Talk organized by Archaeological Exploration and excavation Department of Heritage Society, Patna, the topic being Greek Gods and Goddesses in the Visual Culture of Graeco-Bactrian and Indo-Greek Rulers, 20<sup>th</sup> December, 2020
10. Refresher Course Jadavpur University, Department of History, *Early Historic Port Towns in the Western Indian Ocean*, 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2021.
11. Lecture organized by Voyages in to the Past , *South Asia in the Kushana World*, 21st April, 2021.
12. Was invited by the department of History Bankura University, West Bengal, to deliver a Special Lecture on Urbanization in Early India : The Early Historic Experience , 5th May, 2021.
13. Acted as a Guest of Honour at the Orientation Programme of the University of Liberal Arts, Bangladesh and spoke on the Role of Liberal Arts in a holistic development of an individual, 8th July, 2021.
14. Was invited by Department of History, Women’s College, Agartala, to speak on *Nature of Urbanity in the Early Medieval Period*, 16th August, 2021
15. Refresher course organized by Department of History, MAANU, Hyderabad on 29th september, 2021 on "**Reading Epigraphs of Early India: From Eulogies to Donative Records**".
16. Refresher course organized by Department of Sociology, Madras University on 17/9/2021, on 'Studying Early Indian Historical Sources: Use and Abuse'.
17. Was invited by Manipal Universal Press to speak at a book discussion on the book *The Multivalence of an Epic: Retelling the Ramayana in South India and Southeast Asia* on 24<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 at Bengaluru.
18. Was invited by IGNCA, Mausam Project for a public lecture on the 4th of September, 2021, on *Voyaging to Suvarṇabhūmi: Shipwrecks, Objects and Interlacing of Intangible with Tangible heritage*.
19. Was invited to speak at a webinar entitled *Of Thieves & Theris, Hunters and Housewives : A conference in Honour of Kumkum Roy*, on 9th of November, 2021, the



topic being *Thieves and Thievery in Ancient Indian Texts : Normative, Creative and Moral Perspectives*

20. Was invited to speak on a webinar organized by the Indian Naval Academy, Ezhimala, on October, 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021, on *TRACING AREAS OF CONVERGENCE IN AND AROUND MARITIME SILK(?) ROUTES*
21. Was invited to speak at a webinar entitled *Of Thieves & Theris, Hunters and Housewives : A conference in Honour of Kumkum Roy*, on 9<sup>th</sup> of November, 2021, the topic being *Thieves and Thievery in Ancient Indian Texts : Normative, Creative and Moral Perspectives*
22. Was invited to speak at the lecture series organized by the department of History, University of Delhi on *Histories of Everyday Life Archived in Stone and Clay: Case Studies from Early India* on 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2022.
23. Refresher course organized by the UGC-HRDC, University of Calcutta on Research Methodology in Social Sciences on 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2022.

### **Visiting Professor invitation**

2019 (September) Invited by the Department of History Jadavpur University to teach courses on Debates in Early India and Cultural History (one week)

2019 (November) Invited by the Centre for Historical Studies, JNU as Visiting Professor to teach a course on Ancient Societies (one month)

### **Select Papers Presented at International Conferences (2010-2019)**

1. Presented a paper on 'The Valkha kingdom: A Religio-Economic Study' at the European Association of South Asian Archaeology conference, held at Vienna from 4<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> July, 2010.
2. Presented a paper at the 9<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Bengal Art, at Dhaka, the topic being 'Buddhist Votive Tablets Across Asia: Case Studies from Eastern India, Bangladesh, Thailand and Myanmar', February, 2011.

3. Presented a paper at the conference of International Association for Asian Heritage, the topic being, 'Situating the Epigraphy of Southeast Asia,' Colombo, Sri Lanka, April, 2011.
4. Paper presented at Heritage Chatigram History Conference, organized by The Daily Star, Chattagram, Bangladesh, the topic being 'Understanding Economy of Samatata and Harikela', March, 2012.
5. Paper presented at European Association of Southeast Asian Archaeologists in Dublin, Ireland on "Ministers and nobles in Champa Epigraphy", 2012.
6. Paper presented at Ohio University, Athens, USA on 'Dvaravati Votive Tablets: Understanding their Regional Variations', 2012.
7. Paper presented at an International seminar on Towards an Archaeology of Gauda on 'Changing Perception of Gauda in early India: Looking through Epigraphic and Textual lens', 2013 organized by French Institute of Chandarnagore.
8. Paper presented at an International Conference for Centenary Celebration of the Bangladesh National Museum, Dhaka on 'Nature of local kingdoms in the Trans meghna Region of Bengal: A View from Epigraphy', 2013.
9. Paper presented on "Isthmus of Kra: Looking at Trade and Buddhist network at an International Seminar on Maritime Trade and Cultural Exchanges in the Indian Ocean organized by Department of Archaeology, Sri Lanka, CNRS-ENS, Paris and Center for Buddhist Studies, UC Berkeley, 2013.
10. Presented Paper on 'Political Relationship between Champa and Cambodia: View from Epigraphy' at the 20<sup>th</sup> Indo-Pacific Prehistory Association Congress in Cambodia, January, 2014.
11. Presented a paper on 'Prashastis in Copper-plate 'charters' and as a separate genre in India' in a colloquium on Land-holding, the recording of property-transfer, and the formation of kingdoms: the comparative experience of medieval Scotland and early medieval Bengal, organized by, University of Glasgow, 2014.
12. Presented a paper on 'Contextualizing the representation of Avalokiteśvara and Tārā in the Buddhist clay Moulded tablets in Eastern India and Bangladesh (7th-13th centuries CE)' at European Association of South Asian Archaeology conference, held at Stockholm, July, 2014.

13. Presented a paper on 'Exploring Southeastern Bengal's connected Histories with Southeast Asia through Numismatic and Art historical lens' at an International Conference organized by International Centre for Study of Bengal Art, Dhaka, February, 2015.
14. Presented a paper on *Boundary Clauses in Inscriptions from South-eastern Bengal*, at the Bengal–Scotland Colloquium on Medieval Charters and Panegyric, organized by University of Glasgow and University of Calcutta, 2015.
15. Presented a paper on *Myanmar-Bodhgaya linkages: Clay Moulded Tablets and Related Issues* at the 15th International Conference of European Association of South East Asian Archaeologists held in Paris, 6-10 July, 2015.
16. Presented a paper on *Interface between Buddhism and Islam: View from Early Chittagong in South-eastern Bengal*, at a conference on Muslim and Buddhist Encounters in Pre-Modern South Asia organized by University of Lausanne, Switzerland, October, 2015.
17. Presented a paper on *Studying the port of Barygaza/Bharukachchha Through Text and Archaeology (1<sup>st</sup> century CE to 12<sup>th</sup> century CE)* at the European Association of South Asian Archaeology conference, held at Cardiff, July, 2016.
18. Presented a paper on *The Deccan connection of Early Thailand : Visibility through Art and Archaeology* at a conference on Networks in the Deccan, organized by H.K. Sherwani Centre for Deccan Studies, Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad, 2017.
19. Presented a paper on *Locating the Sogdian Merchants in the trading network of Central Asia, South Asia and China* at a seminar on Peoples, Places and Culture, organized by the Department of History, Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune, 2017.
20. Presented a paper on *The Bay of Bengal Early Trade and Buddhist Network* at a conference on "Strengthening Cultural Linkages in the Bay of Bengal Region" organized by the Indian Studies Centre of Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok and the BIMSTEC Secretariat, Bangkok, May, 2017
21. Presented a paper on *Viewing Early India and Myanmar's Interaction Sphere: A few cases* at a conference on India- Myanmar Interactions: Way Forward, organized by

- Institute of Social and Cultural Studies and Myanmar Institute for Strategic Studies, at Yangon, November, 2017
22. Presented a paper on *Indo-Iranian Borderlands and Central Asia: Exploring their Commercial Connectivity (300 BCE- 300CE)* at a conference on FROM NISA TO NIYA: REAPPRAISING CULTURAL CONDUITS AND COMMERCIAL CENTRES ALONG THE SILK ROAD organized by K.R.Cama Oriental Institute, Mumbai, January, 2018.
  23. Presented a paper on *Arakan – South-eastern Bengal Connection* at a conference on Rakhine Sanskrit Inscriptions organized by Minister of Rakhine Affairs, Yangon, January, 2018.
  24. Presented a paper on *Buddhist Rituals and Ritual objects across Silk Routes* at a conference on Indian Inputs to Central Asian Art and Culture organized by Association for Central Asian Civilizations & Silk Road Studies, USA (ACANSRS) and Indira Gandhi National Centre for Arts, New Delhi, March, 2018.
  25. Presented a paper on *The port of 'Samandar' in the Northern Bay of Bengal and its maritime and coastal linkages (c. 800CE-1500CE)* in AAS in ASIA, New Delhi, 7th July, 2018.
  26. Presented a paper on *The Valkhā Kingdom: A Socio-Religious Study From A Hoard of Copper- Plates (4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> centuries CE)* in the 17th World Sanskrit Conference, UBC, Vancouver, July 9th to 13th, 2018.
  27. Presented a paper on *Maritime Orientations of land based powers of Dakshinapatha* at an International conference on Empires and Kingdoms of Dakshinapatha with special reference to Telengana, organized by Heritage Telengana, Government of Telengana, India on 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2019.
  28. Presented a paper on *Interlacing Intangible with Tangible Heritage: Viewing Africa-India Connected History* at a seminar organized by Asian African Heritage Trust, Asian Foundation and the Indian High Commission, Nairobi on 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2019.

### **A Select List of Publications**

## Books/Monographs

- Suchandra Ghosh, Sudipa Ray BNandyopadhyay, Susmita Basu Majumdar and Sayantani Pal eds. *Revisiting Early India: Essays in memory of D.C. Sircar*, R.N. Bhattacharyya, Kolkata 2013
- Monograph entitled *Exploring Connectivity: Southeastern Bengal and Beyond*, Institute of Social and Cultural Studies, Kolkata, 2015
- Book entitled *From The Oxus To The Indus, A Political and Cultural Study, c.300BCE to c.100 BCE*, Primus Books, Delhi, 2017
- B.D. Chattopadhyaya, Suchandra Ghosh & Bishnupriya Basak eds. *Issues in Agrarian History of India:Essays in Memory of D.C.Sircar* , The Asiatic Society, Kolkata, 2017
- Kenneth Hall, Rila Mukherjee and Suchandra Ghosh eds. *Subversive Sovereigns Across the Seas: The Indian Ocean Port City Experience*, The Asiatic Society, Kolkata, 2018
- Osmund Bopearachchi and Suchandra Ghosh eds. **Early Indian History & Beyond: Essays in Honour of B.D.Chattopadhyaya**, Primus Books, Delhi, 2019
- Kenneth Hall, Suchandra Ghosh, Kaushik Gangopadhyay and Rila Mukherjee eds., *Cross Cultural Networking in the Indian Ocean Realm, c.100-1800 CE*, Primus Books, New Delhi, 2019.
- Urvi Mukhopadhyay & Suchandra Ghosh eds. *Exploring South Asian Urbanity*, London, Routledge, 2022.

Edited *Journal of Ancient Indian History*, Calcutta University, Vols. XXVI and XXVII, 2009-2011

## Course Writer and contributor to Encyclopaedia projects

- Contributed several entries to *Banglapaedia*, published by the Asiatic Society of Bangladesh, Dhaka.
- Contributed several entries to *Encyclopedia of Empires* published by Wiley-Blackwell.

- Course writer on *Comparative Economic Structures, the Mauryas, Satavahanas, and Kushanas* for Indira Gandhi National Open University's Masters Programme.
- Course writer on *Emergence of New Urban Centres in Early Medieval Context and Passage to Medieval Urbanism: Textual Reference* for Indira Gandhi National Open University's Masters Programme.
- Course writer on IGNOU Undergraduate Programme for a number of themes related to Early India.

## **Publications of Essays**

### **A selection of essays published in edited volumes (2011-2021)**

1. 2011: 'Cultural Connections in the Bay of Bengal: Spheres of Interaction', in Lipi Ghosh ed. *Eastern Indian Ocean: Historical Links to Contemporary Convergences*, London, Cambridge Scholars, 12-28.
2. 2012: 'Situating Epigraphic language and script in early Southeast Asia', in Suchorita Chattopadhyay & Soma Mukherjee eds. *Tracing Transactions: An Anthology of critical Essays on India and Southeast Asia*, World View, Delhi, 298-308.
3. 2012: With Susmita Basu Majumdar and Anasua Das 'Sir Aurel Stein's Calcutta Connection', in Helen Wang ed. *Colleagues and Collections, British Museum Publication No. 184*, London, 1-26.
4. 2012: 'Exploring Early India's Trade linkages with Thailand: A Preliminary Survey,' in Sudipa Ray Bandyopadhyay et al. eds. *Aspects of Indian History and Culture*, Kaveri Books, New Delhi, 68-74.
5. 2013: 'Presence and Practice of Buddhism in Early Southeastern Bengal', in Santanu Dey ed. *Religion and Culture in India Across the Ages*, Kolkata, 13-28.
6. 2013: 'In Search of Hellenism at Ai Khanum and Kandahar,' in Suchandra Ghosh et al., *Revisiting Early India*, R.N. Bhattacharya, Kolkata, 37-60.
7. 2014: 'Barbarikon in the Maritime Trade network of Early India', in Rila Mukherjee ed. *Vanguards of Globalization: Port Cities from the Classical to the Modern*, Primus Publications, New Delhi, , 59-74.
8. 2014: 'Buddhism in Early Medieval South Eastern Bengal from Epigraphy and Chinese Texts', in B.R. Mani et al. eds. *Pracyabodha, Indian Archaeology and*

- Tradition, (Professor T.P. Verma Festschrift)*, B.R. Publishing corporation, Delhi, 401-409.
9. 2014: 'South-East Asia and the Eastern Sea Board of India through the Lens of Zhao Rugua', in Radhika Seshan ed. *Convergence: Rethinking India's Past*, Primus Books, Delhi, 41-54.
  10. 2014: 'Viewing Our Shared Past through Buddhist Votive Tablets across eastern India, Bangladesh and Peninsular Thailand,' in Upinder Singh and Parul Pandya Dhar eds. *Asian Encounters: Exploring Connected Histories*, Oxford University Press, New Delhi, 189-201.
  11. 2014: 'From the Oxus to the Indus: Religion and Politics of the Bactrian and Indo-Greek Rulers', in D.N. Jha ed. *The Complex Heritage of Early India, Essays in memory of R.S. Sharma*, Manohar Publications, Delhi, 373-389.
  12. 2015: 'Understanding a Site: Case Study of Mainamati in Southeastern Bangladesh', in Mokammal H. Bhuiyan ed. *Studies in Heritage of South Asia, Essays in Memory of M. Harunur Rashid*, Bangla Academy, Heritage Management & Research, Dhaka, 311-317.
  13. 2016: 'Early Peninsular Thailand and Eastern India(including Bangladesh): Understanding the Buddhist Milieu through an Archaeological Lens', in Withaya Sucharithanarugse ed. *Interpretative Studies on Southeast Asian Culture*, Institute of Thai Studies, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, 227-245.
  14. 2016: 'Mainamati: An Enigmatic Centre of Buddhism in Southeastern Bangladesh', in Gauri Parimoo Krishnan ed. *Nalanda, Srivijaya and beyond: Re-exploring Buddhist Art in Asia*, Asian Civilizations Museum, Singapore, 37-50.
  15. 2016: 'The Valkha Kingdom: A Religio Economic Study (Fourth-Fifth Centuries CE)', in Verena Widorn, Ute Franke & Petra Latschenberger eds., *Contextualizing Material Culture in South and Central Asia in Pre-Modern Times*, South Asian Archaeology and Art, Brepols, Turnhout, 339-344.
  16. 2017: 'Buddhist Moulded Clay Tablets from Dvaravati: Understanding Their Regional Variations and Indian Linkages, in Lipi Ghosh ed. *India-Thailand Cultural Interactions : A Study of Shared Cultural Markers*, Springer, Singapore, 35-51.

17. 2017 : ‘Movements and Migrations around the porous Indo-Iranian Borderlands:the view from archaeology and texts (c. third century BCE-third century CE)’, in Radhika Seshan ed. *Narratives, Routes and Intersections in Pre-Modern Asia*, Routledge, London and NewYork, 2017,64-75.
18. 2017 : ‘Water, Water Bodies and Waterscapes in Early medieval South eastern Bengal and Assam: A view from Epigraphs’ in Rila Mukherjee ed. *Living with Water, Peoples, Lives and Livelihoods in Asia and Beyond*, Delhi, Primus Books, 66-78.
19. 2017 : ‘Circulation of Buddhist Rituals and Iconography : Connecting Eastern India and Southeast Asia through Clay Moulded tablets and Miniature Images’ in Anna Dallapiccola and Anila Verghese eds..*India and Southeast Asia:Cultural Discourses*, Mumbai, The K.R. Cama Oriental Institute,pp.345-360.
20. 2018 : ‘Shipwrecks and Saviours :Viewing through Archaeology, Text and Art History’ in Piu Chatterjee and Dona Ganguly eds. *India and Indian Ocean, Past, Present and Future*, New Delhi, Mittal Publications, 87-96.
21. 2018: ‘Buddhist Cultural Linkages between Bengal and Southeast Asia’, in Abdul Momin Chowdhury and Ranabir Chakravarti eds. *History of Bangladesh, Early Bengal in Regional Perspectives(up to c.1200 CE), Vol. II, Society, Economy and Culture*, Asiatic Society of Bangladesh, Dhaka, pp. 647-664.
22. 2018 : ‘Representations of Ministers and Functionaries in the Epigraphs(c.909-19 CE) of Indrapura Dynasty of Champa (Vietnam) : Influence of Early Indian Political Culture ?’ in Achintya Datta and Anasua Basu Ray Chaudhury eds. *Connecting Nations, Politico-Cultural Mapping of India and Southeast Asia*, Delhi, Primus Books, 26 -36.
23. 2018 : ‘Situating the Local Ruling Houses in the Samatata Area of the Trans-Meghna Region of Bengal –Sixth to Eighth Centuries CE : A View from Epigraphy’ in Manu V. Devadan ed. *Clio and Her Descendants, Essays for Kesavan Veluthat*, Delhi, Primus Books,745-757.
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25. 2018: With Sayantani Pal, 'Everyday Life in Early Bengal' in Abdul Momin Chowdhury and Ranabir Chakravarti eds. *History of Bangladesh, Early Bengal in Regional Perspectives(up to c.1200 CE), Vol. II, Society, Economy and Culture*, Asiatic Society of Bangladesh, Dhaka, pp.3-42
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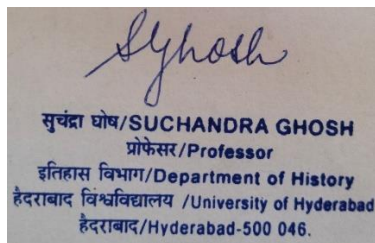
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