



PROFILE

Director and Editor at ICHR, Ministry of Education, Government of India, with 18+ years of research and archives experience. Edited and co-authored 5 monographs on obscured heroes of India's freedom struggle. Editor, Indian Historical Review -- a SCOPUS listed journal. As a prolific researcher numerous articles published in peer reviewed journals. Dedicated administrator with a proven track record in delivering exceptional projects.

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DIRECTOR



WORK EXPERIENCE

- ★ Present Position: Director (Journal, Publication), Indian Council of Historical Research (Ministry of Education, Govt. of India) 35, Ferozeshah Road, New Delhi-110001 since 14 June 2018.
- ★ Previous Positions: (I) Worked as Deputy Director (Research) in the ICHR w.e.f. 24 July 2015-13 June 2018; (ii) worked as Assistant Director (Research) in the ICHR w.e.f. 04 March 2010 to 23 July 2015.

POSITIONS AND HONOURS

- **Editor**, *Indian Historical Review*, ISSN: 0376-9836 –Scopus Index and Thompson Reuters Citation Index listed journal –published by SAGE on behalf of Indian Council of Historical Research, New Delhi. <http://ichr.ac.in/content/innerpage/journals.php/> <http://journals.sagepub.com/home/ihr>
- Earned **Best Paper Award** (Prof. Pema Ram Prize), for the 30th Session of Rajasthan History Congress, at Mohanlal Sukhadia University, Udaipur, 15-16 December, 2015, for the paper titled 'Peasant Unrest and its Repression in Nagaur, Dabra Tragedy, 13 March 1947'.
- Honoured with Prof. R.P. Vyas Memorial **Gold Medal** (2022) for excellence in Writing History, Prof. R.P. Vyas Smriti Sansthan, Jodhpur.
- **Member, Editorial Board**, *Itihas Shodh-Patrika* –UGC CARE Index listed journal – published by AAKAR Books International on behalf of Indian Council of Historical Research, New Delhi. <http://ichr.ac.in/content/innerpage/journals.php>
- **Member, Editorial Board**, *Shodh Shree* (A Peer Reviewed Referred Journal), ISSN 2277-5587 – Indexed in ULRICH, ISIFI, SJIF & DOJI –published by Dr. S.N. Tailor Foundation, Beawar, Rajasthan.
- **Member Experts'** Committee for vetting a Doordarshan serial 'Swaraj'-75 episode series –to narrate India's untold stories of freedom struggle and historical journey from 1498-1947.
- **Member Board of Studies** at Lovely Professional University, Phagwara, Punjab; Summer Hill University, Shimla, and; M.L.S., University, Udaipur.

POSITIONS AND HONOURS

- **Member Experts' Panel** for evaluation of thesis/dissertations at Mizoram University, Aizwal; Jai Narain Vyas University (JNVU), Jodhpur; J.J.T. University, Jhunjhunu; Chaudhary Charan Singh University, Meerut; Jiwaji University, Gwalior; Janardan Rai Nagar University, Udaipur, and LPU, Phagwara.
- Delivered **Key Note Address** in a national seminar held at G.D.C. Memorial College, Bahal, affiliated to Choudhary Bansi Lal University, Bhiwani on 'Haryana mein British Sattaka Pratirodh: Alpgyat Nayaktatha Nayikayan (1803-1947)', 3 December 2021.
- **Keynote address** in the national seminar on 'Freedom Fighters of Mewar-Vagad, Rajasthan (Life and Works)', 2-3 December 2022, held at Janardan Rai Nagar University, Udaipur, Rajasthan
- Delivered **Professor R.P. Vyas Memorial Lecture** on 'Influenza Pandemic of 1918: The Rajputana and Ajmer-Merwara Experience' in the 35th Session of Rajasthan History Congress held at Janardan Rai Nagar University, Udaipur, Rajasthan, 3-4 September 2021.
- **Chief Guest** in a seven day national workshop on 'Research Methods and History Writing', jointly organised by ICHR, Ministry of Education, Government of India and Om Streeling Global University (OSGU), Hisar, Haryana, June 2022.
- **Keynote address** in the national seminar on 'Agricultural Economy under the British Rule in India', 27th February 2016, held at S.A. Jain (P.G.) College, Ambala City, Haryana.
- **Session Chaired** in the 31st Session of Rajasthan History Congress held at Sardar Patel University of Police, Security and Criminal Justice, Jodhpur on 16-18 December 2016.
- **Keynote address** in the Six Days Short Term Training Programme on 'Itihas Mein Shikshan Adhigam Prakriya Mein Pahal', 11th to 16th January 2021, conducted by Commissionerate of College Education Government of Rajasthan and Government College, Bundi, Rajasthan.

RESEARCH

- Coordinator of the ICHR Research Project titled India: Mother of Democracy, Published by NBT, 2023.
- Coordinator of the ICHR Research Project titled Kudopali War, 1857: From Obscurity to the Mainstream Narrative, 2023 (under publication)
- Conceptualized and developed contents of nationally important Exhibitions titled Freedom Struggle of India, 1757-1947 and The Story of India's Partition, 1947 for ICHR.
- Worked for Ministry of Culture's research project titled *Dictionary of Martyrs: India's Freedom Struggle (1857-1947)*. Under this series (between 2009 and 2018) more than 13 thousand peasants, workers, tribals, students, educated middle class and women who attained martyrdom have been covered. The Hon'ble Prime Minister released the books on 7 March 2019 at his official residence 7, Lok Kalayan Marg, New Delhi. <https://indiaculture.gov.in/release-dictionary-martyrs-indias-freedom-struggle1857-1947-shri-narendra-modi-prime-minister-07>
- Worked in the nationally important research project titled Towards Freedom, 1937-1947, (between 2005 and 2009) and published 14 books.
- Worked as Research Investigator for the project *Identity Formation Among The Dalits of Haryana: An Explorative Study (from 1st June to 31st August 2005)* of Indian Social Institute (NGO), Lodhi Road, New Delhi.

► PUBLICATIONS
(SELECT)
Books and Journals
(Editor & Author)

- Rajesh Kumar, Editor, *Indian Historical Review*, ISSN0376-9836 –Scopus Index and Thompson Reuters Citation Index listed journal –published by SAGE on behalf of Indian Council of Historical Research, New Delhi. <http://journals.sagepub.com/home/ihr>
- Sabyasachi Bhattacharya, Basudev Chatterji, Amit K. Gupta, Ashfaque Ali, Rajesh Kumar et al. *Dictionary of Martyrs: India's Freedom Struggle (1857-1947)*, vols. 1-3 (5 books), ICHR, 2011, 2012, 2013 & 2014. More than 13 thousand peasants, workers, tribals, students, educated middle class and women who attained martyrdom have been covered in these 5 books. <https://indiaculture.gov.in/release-dictionary-martyrs-indias-freedom-struggle1857-1947-shri-narendra-modi-prime-minister-07> (PDF) *Dictionary of Martyrs: India's Freedom Struggle (1857-1947)* Available
- Om Jee Upadhyay, Rajesh Kumar et al.(eds.), *Maharana Kumbha: Vyaktitva Evam Krititva*, ICHR, 2021.

► PAPERS

- ‘Devi Temple, Pahari; Loharu Rulers and History: Understanding the People's Mind’ in *History and Sociology of South Asia*, ISSN 2230-8075, vol. 18 no. 2, July 2024, published by SAGE on behalf of Centre for Jawaharlal Nehru Studies, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi. <https://journals.sagepub.com/home/hsa>
- ‘Influenza Pandemic of 1918: The Rajputana and Ajmer-Merwara Experience’ in the *Rajasthan History Congress Proceedings*, ISSN 2321-1288, vol. 35, Udaipur, 2021.
- ‘The Devastating Killer -1918 Influenza Pandemic and Indian Experience’ in *ITIHAS Shodh Patrika*, ISSN 2319-8818, vol. 6. No. 1, January-June 2020. <http://ichr.ac.in/v3/publication-books.php>
- ‘Brewing Discontent in Sirohi Agitation for Responsible Government, 1939’ in *Rajasthan History Congress Proceedings*, ISSN 2321-1288, vol. 31, Jodhpur, 2016.
- ‘Peasant Unrest and its Repression in Nagaur, Dabra Tragedy, 1947 – Rajasthan’ in *Rajasthan History Congress Proceedings*, ISSN 2321-1288, vol. 30, Udaipur, 2015.
- ‘Peasant Unrest and Repression – A Massacre in Neemuchana, Alwar, Rajasthan, May 1925’ in *Proceedings of the Indian History Congress*, Vol. 73 (2012) <https://www.jstor.org/stable/44156275> (PDF) *PEASANT UNREST AND REPRESSION- A MASSACRE IN NEEMUCHANA, ALWAR*. Available
- ‘Peasant Unrest in Loharu State: Singhani Tragedy, 1935’ in Dr. Rajendra Kumar (ed.) *The Role of The Jats their Socio Economic and Political conditions in the Northern India*, ISBN 978-81-8454-138-0, Vol. 4, 2014.
- Qissa Khawani Bazar Massacre, April 1930: Remembering unsung Martyrs of Peshawar in Dr. Manorma Upadhyaya (ed.) *Protest Ideologies in India: 19th-20th Century*, ISBN 978-93-5156-320-4, Mahila P.G. Mahavidyalaya, Jai Narain Vyas University, Jodhpur, 2014.
- ‘Punjab Legislative Assembly Elections and Haryana Region (1952-1967): Political Parties, Their Ideology, Policies and Election Strategies’ in the *Kurukshetra University Research Journal of Arts and Humanities*, 2008.
- ‘Role of the Jats of South-East Punjab (Haryana) in the Punjab Legislative Assembly Elections (1945-46)’ in *The Role of The Jats: Their Socio Economic and Political conditions in the Northern India*, ISBN 81-88629-51-0, Vol.2, 2006.
- ‘Attitudes of Various Social Groups behind the Demand of Separate Haryana States 1947-66’ in Vir Singh(ed.), *The Role of The Jats: Their Socio Economic and Political conditions in the Northern India*, ISBN 978-81-88629-68-8, Vol. 3, 2007.

- Participated in a national seminar on Temples as Institution of Cultural and Social History, held at Mahila P.G. Mahavidyalaya, Jodhpur from 25-26 July 2023 and presented a paper titled 'Social and Cultural imprints of Pahari Devi on People's Mind'.
- 'Influenza Pandemic of 1918: The Rajputana and Ajmer-Merwara Experience' paper presented in the 35th Session of Rajasthan History Congress Udaipur, 3-4 September 2021.
- 'Kalibai and Nanabhai Khat: Remembering the Unsung Heroes of Rajasthan' paper presented in the 28th Session of Rajasthan History Congress during 15-16 December 2016 at Centre for Rajasthan Studies, University of Rajasthan, Jaipur.
- Participated in the International Seminar on "Migration and Settlements: Development of Cross-Cultural India (A Study in the Historical Perspective through the ages)" held at Mahila P.G. Mahavidyalaya, Jodhpur from 25-26 July 2017 and Presented a paper titled 'Marwari Trading Community and Migration: An Appraisal of its Socio-Cultural and Economic Life'.
- 'Rajasthan History Congress and Historical Research in Rajasthan: A Journey of Five Decades, 1967-2017' paper presented in the 32nd Session of Rajasthan History Congress, held at S.S. Jain Subodh College, Jaipur from 22-24 December 2017.
- 'Struggle against Feudo-colonial Policies: Singhani Massacre' paper presented in a national seminar on "Agriculture and Economy Under the British Rule in India" held at S.A. Jain (PG) College, Ambala City, 27 February 2016.
- 'Bhil Garasiya Struggle against the Feudo-colonial Policies (Sirohi Massacre, 1922)', paper presented in a national seminar on "Role of Adivasis, Dalits and Women in the Indian Freedom Struggle with special reference to Rajasthan & Gujarat" organised jointly by Indian Council of Historical Research and S.P. College, Sirohi, held from 10-11 January 2014 at S.P. College, Sirohi, Rajasthan.
- 'Introduction to the Martyrs of Rajasthan, 1857-1947' paper presented in the 29th Session of Rajasthan History Congress during 8-9 November 2014 at Mahila P.G. Mahavidyalaya, Jodhpur.
- Participated in the National Seminar on "The Jats: Their Role and Contribution to the Socio-economic Life and Polity of North and North West India" held on 5-6 November 2011 and presented a paper titled 'Camel Tax and Kisan Movement in Loharu, 1935: A tribute to the Martyrs'.
- 15-day Workshop on 'Historiography and Research Methodology' from 23 June to 6 July 2008, organized by ICHR, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, New Delhi.
- 'Sepoy Tradition I Haryana: A Study of India-China War, 1962' paper presented in a national seminar on "Revisiting 1962 India-China War" held at Government College, Ambala Cantt., 9 November 2009.
- 'Demand of a Seperate State and Creation of Haryana' paper presented in the 66th Annual Session of the Indian History Congress held at Visva-Bharti, Santiniketan, West Bengal from 28-30 January 2006.
- 'Guru Granth Sahib Mein Bhotikvad Ki Jhalak' paper presented in the 36th session of Punjab History Conference at held at Department of Punjab Historical Studies, Punjabi University, Patiala, (Pb.) 18-20 March 2004.
- '1945-46 Ka Chunavi Davandha Tatha Haryana' presented a paper in a national conference 2002 at Yamuna Nagar (Har.).

SPECIAL INVITED LECTURES

- **Central Secretariat Library, Ministry of Culture, Government of India**, New Delhi invited to deliver a special lecture on the occasion of Azadika Amrit Mahotsav. The topic of the talk was: ‘Civil Disobedience Movement in Peshawar: The Quissa Khawani Bazar Massacre, April 1930’ (9 September 2022).
- **Choudhary Bansi Lal, Government (PG) College, Loharu, Haryana** invited to deliver a special lecture in one day seminar. The topic of discussion was: ‘Jalianwala Bagh Massacre, 13 April 1919’ (21 February 2024).
- **Choudhary Bansi Lal, Government (PG) College, Loharu, Haryana** invited to deliver a special lecture on the occasion of Azadika Amrit Mahotsav. The topic of discussion was: ‘Spiritual and Cultural Inspiration and the Revolutionary Movement in India’ (21 March 2023).
- **Banwari Lal Jindal Suiwala College, Tosham**, invited to deliver a special lecture on the occasion of Azadika Amrit Mahotsav. The topic of the talk was: ‘1857 Uprising and Haryana’ (14 January 2023).
- **Janardan Rai Nagar University, Udaipur**, invited to deliver a special lecture on the occasion of Azadika Amrit Mahotsav. The topic of discussion was: ‘The People’s Movement in Rajasthan –Agitation for Responsible Government in Mewad State’ (28 February 2022).

ARCHIVES

- One Year Training-cum-Diploma in Archival Studies from *National Archives of India (Ministry of Culture Govt. of India)*, Janpath, New Delhi, 2003-04. The experience gained in the fields:
 - i. Archives Administration and Organizational History (nature of Departments/ Ministries their records and organizational History).
 - ii. Records Management (opening, recording, noting and closing of files).
 - iii. Conservation and Reprography.
 - iv. Business and Private Archives (uses of business houses records in writing history).
 - v. Archival Libraries, Documentation and Application of Computers.

Worked at various Archives and Libraries like the National Archives of India, New Delhi; Nehru Memorial Museum & Library (NMM&L), New Delhi; Delhi State Archives; the Punjab State Archives, Chandigarh and Patiala; Haryana State Archives, Panchukala; Rajasthan State Archives, Bikaner; Himachal Pradesh State Archives, Shimla; Andaman & Nicobar State Archives, Port Blair; Cellular Jail Library, Port Blair; Central Secretariat Library, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi; Ministry of Labour Library, Shram Shakti Bhawan, New Delhi, etc from 2010-2013 during the source collection for the research project Dictionary of Martyrs.

MEMBERSHIP

- Life Member Association of Indian Archives.
- Life Member Rajasthan History Congress.
- Founder (Life) Member Haryana History Congress.

ADMINISTRATIVE-
CUM-
VIGILANCE,
ACCOUNTS AND RTI

- **In-charge Administration**, Indian Council of Historical Research, Ministry of Education, Government of India since 6 June 2024.
- **Controlling Officer (C.O.), ICHR's North East Regional Centre (NERC)**, Guwahati, December 2018- 2022.
- **Drawing and Disbursement Officer (DDO)**, Indian Council of Historical Research, Ministry of Education, Government of India from 20 January 2017 to 16 August 2022.
- **CPIO (Research)**, Indian Council of Historical Research, Ministry of Education, Government of India, 2013-2018.
- Training Programme on **The Right to Information Act, 2005** conducted by the Institute of Public Administration at Bhubaneswar, Odisha, 12th to 14th April 2010.
- **Administrative Vigilance Course** conducted by Institute of Secretariat Training and Management, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions Department of Personnel and Training at JNU Old Campus, New Delhi, 20th to 24th September 2010
- Training Programme on **Contact Labour (Regulation & Abolition Act, 1970)**, conducted by the Institute of Public Administration at Hotel Paraag, 3, Rajbhavan Road, Bengaluru on 21st and 22nd May 2012.

RAJBHASHA
ADHIKARI
(ADDITIONAL
CHARGE)

- Rajbhasha Adhukari (2015-2023) in Indian Council of Historical Research, Ministry of Education, Government of India, New Delhi.
- On behalf of ICHR co-ordinated and attended inspection by Parliamentary Committee for Rajbhashain February 2019 wherein the Committee appreciated the ICHR's functioning in Hindi.

ACADEMIC
QUALIFICATIONS

- Ph. D. awarded, 19 May 2008.
- Topic of the Ph.D. thesis: 'Electoral Politics in Haryana: A study of Legislative Assembly Elections', from Department of History, Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra.
- M.Phil. from Kurukshetra University Kurukshetra in 2001.
- Topic of M. Phil. thesis: 'Bhagwaticharan Vohra and Revolutionary Movement' from Department of History, Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra.
- One Year Training-cum-Diploma in Archival Studies from *National Archives of India (Ministry of Culture Govt. of India)*, Janpath, New Delhi, 2003-04.

Exam Passed	Board/Univ.	Year of Passing	Subjects	Marks Obt/ Total	%
M.A.	K.U., Kurukshetra	1999	History	480/800	60
B.A.	M.D.U., Rohtak	1997	Hindi, Eng, Pol. Sc., History	625/1200	52
12 th	B.S.E. Haryana	1994	Hindi, Eng, Pol.Sc, His, Skt.	257/500	51
10 th	B.S.E. Haryana	1992	Hin, Eng, Maths, SS., Sc., Skt.	349/600	58

**PERSONAL
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