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- 3. Age and Date of Birth** : Age: 45; Date of Birth:
18.06.1972
- 4. Qualifications** :
- i. Vidwan in Prachina Nyaya (Eq. to M.A.) **I Class**
- ii. Vidwan in Navya Nyaya (Eq. to M.A.) **I Class with Distinction**
Both from Govt. of Karnataka
- iii. M.A.(Sanskrit) **I Class with II Rank**
Karnataka State Open University
- iv. Ph.D **Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha (Deemed University) Tirupathi, Andhra Pradesh**
- Work Experience** :
- Current:**
- 1. Professor of Nyaya Sastra –at Govt. Maharaja’s Sanskrit College, Mysore (Constituent College of Karnataka Sanskrit University, Bangalore) – teaching of texts of Indian Philosophy and logic at the Graduate and Post Graduate levels and guiding Ph.D.Students.**
 - 2. Hon. Project Director, Transdisciplinary University (TDU), Foundation for Revitalization of Local Health Traditions (FRLHT) 74/2, Jarakabande Kaval, Attur Post, Yelahanka, Bangalore, South India and implementing the following Projects:**
 - i. Digital Repository of Medical Manuscripts and books of Karnataka
 - ii. Comprehensive Descriptive Catalogue of Medical Manuscripts

- iii. Dictionary of Ayurveda (Sanskrit - English - Kannada) - online and physical print versions
 - iv. Encyclopedia of Ayurveda
 - v. Preparation of Course Material on the Theoretical Foundations of Ayurveda
 - vi. Conducting of Re-Orientation Programs on the Theoretical Foundations of Ayurveda for Professors and Lecturers of Ayurvedic Colleges from all over India
 - vii. Critical Edition, Translation and Publication of rare books of Ayurveda and Traditional Dietetics
 - viii. Other such projects
- **Approved Guide for M.Phil and Ph.D of the Karnataka Sanskrit University; presently guiding 4 Ph.D Students and successfully guided 1 M.Phil student.**
 - **Formerly Editor of the Official Journal of the Karnataka Sanskrit University called 'Karnataka-Sanskritadhyayanam'**
 - **Nodal Officer of Maharaja's Sanskrit College, Mysore (Constituent College of Karnataka Sanskrit University, Bangalore) to represent the College at the All-India Survey of Higher Education**
 - **Honorary Associate of the Samskriti Foundation ®, Mysore and Honorary Editor / Advisor of the following Research Projects:**
 1. Preparation of Comprehensive Dictionary of Yoga
 2. Preparation of an Electronic Descriptive Catalogue of Manuscripts dealing with Science and Technology
 3. Preparation of the History of the Philosophy of Visistadvaita
 4. Translation of all Haridasa Kriti-s from Kannada to Tamil (in 14 Volumes)
 5. Re-Publication of Srimad Ramayana of Devashikhamani Alasingracharya in Kannada (in 8 Volumes)
- And such other aspects.

Previous:

1. **Research scholar** for approximately 3 years at **Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha (Deemed University)** Tirupathi, Andhra Pradesh
2. **Junior Research Fellow** for approximately 3 years of **Indian Council of Philosophical Research, New Delhi**
3. **Visiting Scholar** of the **Indian Institute of Advanced Study, Shimla, Himachal Pradesh** for the year 2002.

Expert Manuscriptologist with the following achievements:

| Sl. No. | Detail of Activity |
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| 1. | Collection and collation of information of more than 8000 manuscripts on Medicine at FRLHT, Bangalore. |
| 2. | Organized a 45 day long course on Medical Manuscriptology (with support from Dept. of AYUSH, Govt. of India) |
| 3. | Edited and published a book “Handbook of Medical Manuscriptology” |
| 4. | Involved in digitization of more than 1,00,000 frames of Medical Manuscripts in different parts of the country |
| 5. | Developed a comprehensive software for Cataloguing, Indexing and Information retrieval of medical manuscripts, presently housing information about approximately 10,000 medical manuscripts |
| 6. | Acquired, digitized, deciphered, edited and published many medical manuscripts, to name a few: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bhojanakutuhalam 2. Kshemakutuhalam 3. Sukhananda Rasayanam 4. Vaidyajeevanam 5. Ayurveda-grantha etc. |
| 7. | Actively involved in the preparation of Multimedia Teaching Software for the ancient scripts of Grantha and Sharada |
| 8. | Prepared Proposals for Development of software for the <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Repair of Virtual Manuscript ii. Preparation of critical editions of unpublished manuscripts (with special reference to medical manuscripts) iii. Optical Character Recognition for different ancient scripts like Grantha etc. iv. Other necessary software tools for deciphering the information contained in the Manuscripts |
| 9. | Delivered lectures on Unearthing, collection, collation, digitization and deciphering etc (all aspects of manuscriptology) all over India in various institutions |
| 10. | Consultant to Institutions and Manuscript Repositories regarding the physical preservation, digitization and other aspects of manuscripts |

a) Name of Manuscripts discovered / edited / translated :

1. Edited the “**Samba Purana**” with English Translation and Annotations
2. Translation of ‘**Vasudeva Mahatmya**’, a part of Skanda Purana from Sanskrit to English

3. Translation of '**Harivakya-sudha-sindhu**', a large collection of poems of the Swaminarayan Sampradaya from Sanskrit to English Translations of other minor works and Articles from Sanskrit to Kannada and English
4. Bhojanakutuhalam
5. Kshemakutuhalam
6. Sukhananda-rasayanam
7. Vaidyajeevanam
8. Ayurveda-grantha etc

b) Details of monographs, articles, etc. published:

Books:

1. **Sri Ramanuja – Life and philosophy**
2. **Essentials of Visistadvaita**
3. **Perception – Perspectives of Artificial Intelligence and Indian Philosophy (in Sanskrit)**
4. **Published 20 books on various topics like Melkote – An Introduction in 5 languages etc**

Others:

| No. | Title of the book / Article | Published / Presented at |
|------------|---|---|
| 1. | Edited the Gadyatraya of Bhagavan Ramanuja | Samskriti Publications |
| 2. | Academic Institutions of Melkote | Academy of Sanskrit Research, Melkote in their publication "Melkote through the Ages" |
| 3. | Knowledge Engineering and the Nyaya System | Academy of Sanskrit Research Melkote |
| 4. | Shiksha Shastra – An approach | Academy of Sanskrit Research, Melkote. |
| 5. | <i>Puccha-Brahma-Vada</i> | Academy of Sanskrit Research, Melkote. |
| 6. | "My role in Soceity" / <i>Varna-Ashrama-Dharma</i> | Academy of Sanskrit Research, Melkote. |
| 7. | Cosmology according to Visistadwaita Vedantha | Academy of Sanskrit Research, Melkote. |
| 8. | Application of traditional Theories to solve problems in the field of Artificial Intelligence | Academy of Sanskrit Research, Melkote. |
| 9. | Relevance of Sastras in the context of Artificial Intelligence (In Sanskrit) | Chinmaya International Foundation, Ernakulam, Kerala |

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| 10. | The Issue of Syntax in the context of Natural Language Processing | Central Institute of Indian Languages, MHRD Ministry, Mysore |
| 11. | A critical study of the concepts of 'Vidhi' and 'Nishedha' | Central Institute of Indian Languages, MHRD Ministry, Mysore |
| 12. | Knowledge Engineering Techniques in Mimamsa | Rastriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha, Tirupathi |
| 13. | The Contribution of Sri Anandalwar Swamy | Indian Institute of Advanced Study, Shimla, Dravidian University, Kuppam, Andhra Pradesh, and Academy of Sanskrit Research, Melkote. |
| 14. | Contribution of Visistadwaita Vedanta | Poorna Prajna Vidyapeetha, Bangalore |
| 15. | Padashakti-Vishaye Visitadwaitinam Abhiprayah | Academy of Sanskrit Research, Melkote. |
| 16. | Dhatvartha Vishaye Jayantha Bhattasya Dharana | Academy of Sanskrit Research, Melkote. |
| 17. | Apohavadah | Academy of Sanskrit Research, Melkote. |
| 18. | Dhavamsa-pragabhavayoh Atyanthabhavena Saha Virodhavicharah | Academy of Sanskrit Research, Melkote. |
| 19. | Arsha-sahitya-vyakhyana-paramaparayai srivaishnavavyakhatrunam Upayanam | Academy of Sanskrit Research, Melkote. (To be published) |
| 20. | Dravyatishya-purshatishyavada-vicharah | Seminar conducted by Govt. of Karnataka |
| 21. | Visistadwaita-Pathakramavicharah | Seminar conducted by Govt. of Karnataka |
| 22. | Definition of Chaturthi Vibhakti in the Vyutpattivada of Gadadhara Bhattacharya | French Institute, Pondicherry |
| 23. | <i>Nyaya-Vedantha-darshanayoh Pramanya-vicharah</i> | Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha, Tirupathi |
| 24. | 'Vaadaavali' of Anandalwar Swamy | University of Madras, Chennai |
| 25. | More than 50 other such articles | |

e) Number of Research Scholars Guided

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Research Scholars : (Details given above)

In Traditional Discipline:

- i. In Nyaya Sastra : About 30
ii. In Visistadwaita Vedantha : About 25

f) Conferences Attended:**i. Seminar / Conferences:**

| Sl. No. | Name of the Conference / Seminar | Venue |
|---------|---|--|
| 1. | National Seminar on Sanskrit and Computer-Based Linguistics | Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore |
| 2. | National Seminar on Inference Mechanisms in Sastras and Computer Science | CFTRI, Mysore |
| 3. | National Seminar on Shiksha Sastra and Experimental Phonetics | National Institute of Advanced Studies, IISc, Bangalore |
| 4. | National Seminar on Taittiriya Upanishad | Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Research, IISc, Bangalore |
| 5. | Workshop on Vedantha in Day-to-Day life | Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Research, IISc, Bangalore |
| 6. | Seminar on Cosmology | Academy of Sanskrit Research, Melkote |
| 7. | Seminar on Sanskrit & Computers | Academy of Sanskrit Research, Melkote |
| 8. | Workshop on Application of Sanskrit for Computers | Academy of Sanskrit Research, Melkote |
| 9. | Workshop on Iron and Steel in Ancient India | Workshop on Application of Sanskrit for Computers |
| 10. | National Seminar on Application of Sastras to Modern Life | Chinmaya International Foundation, Ernakulam, Kerala |
| 11. | Dialogue between traditional and Modern Linguists on Time, Tense and Mood | Central Institute of Indian Languages, MHRD Ministry, Mysore |
| 12. | Dialogue between traditional and Modern Linguists on Vidhi and Nishedha | Central Institute of Indian Languages, MHRD Ministry, Mysore |

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| 13. | National Seminar on Srivaishnava Commentary Tradition | Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore |
| 14. | National Seminar on Application of Mimamsa Systems | Rastriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha, Tirupathi |
| 15. | National Seminar on contribution of Dwaita, Adwaita and Visistadwaita to the Indian Darshanas | Poorna Prajna Vidyapeetha, Bangalore |
| 16. | National Seminar on Vedic Mathematics | Gurunanak Dev Engineering College, Bidar, Karnataka |
| 17. | National Seminar on 'Vyutpattivada' | French University, Pondicherry |
| 18. | Seminar on the Life and Works of Parasara Bhattar | Department of Vaishnavism, Madras University, Madras |
| 19. | Seminar on 'Praamanya Vaada' | Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha, (Deemed University) Tirupathi, AP. |
| 20. | Centenary Celebrations of Karappangadu Venkatacharya Swamy | Department of Vaishnavism, Madras University, Chennai |
| | More than 30 other National Conferences | |

iii. Traditional Vidwat-Sabhas:

| Sl No. | Name of the Vidwat-Sabhas | Venue | Year |
|---------------|---|---------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. | Sameera-Samaya-Samvardhini-Sabha of Sri Raghavendra Mutt, Mantralayam | Mantralayam, Andhra Pradesh | 3 years (1991- 94) |
| 2. | Malola Vidwat Sabha, of Sri Ahobila Mutt | Various places all over India | 8 years |
| 3. | Vidwat Sabha of Sri Andavan Ashramam, Srirangam, Tamil Nadu | Various places all over India | 8 years |
| 4. | Vedantha Desika Vihara Sabha, Parakala Mutt, Mysore | Mysore | 5 years |
| 5. | State-Level Sanskrit Vidwat Goshthi conducted by Govt. of Karnataka | Mysore, Hubli, Sirsi | 3 years |
| 6. | Vidwat Goshthi on <i>Samanya-Vicarah.</i> | Academy of Sanskrit Research, Melkote | 1992 |

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| 7. | Vidwat Goshthi on <i>Samanya-Vicarah – II</i> | Academy of Sanskrit Research, Melkote | 1994 |
| 8. | Vidwat Goshthi on <i>Abhava-Padartha-Parishilanam.</i> | Academy of Sanskrit Research, Melkote | 1994 |
| 9. | Vidwat Goshthi on <i>Dhatvartha-Vicharah.</i> | Academy of Sanskrit Research, Melkote | 1995 |
| 10. | Vidwat Goshthi on <i>Padashakthi-Vicharah.</i> | Academy of Sanskrit Research, Melkote | 1997 |
| | More than 25 other Vidvad-goshthi-s | | |

h) Innovation in teaching or Original creative writing:

Developed a series of **Interactive Multimedia CD ROMs** on various aspects of Indian Culture. Details are as follows:

| No. | Title of the CD Rom | Description |
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| 1. | Sandhya Vandanam | Gives details of performing the three <i>Sandhya Vandanam</i> -s with explanation of significance of performance of each aspect, with voice-over of each mantra, meaning of the mantra in text etc., with animation and other features associated with Multimedia. |
| 2. | Taittiriya Upanishad | This is a Multimedia teaching package for learning the text of the Upanishad and memorizing the same, with word-by-word meaning of selected words, and gist of each section given in English. Fully Interactive, with attractive backgrounds and other features. |
| 3. | Pancha Suktham | This is a Multimedia teaching package for learning the text of the Five Suktas eulogizing Vishnu and His three consorts and memorizing the same, with word by word meaning of selected words, and gist of each section given in English. Fully Interactive, with attractive backgrounds and other features. |
| 4. | Ganesha Pooja | This is a Multimedia teaching package for performing the Pooja of Lord Ganesha, with explanation of significance of performance of each aspect, with voice-over of each mantra, meaning of the mantra in text etc., with animation and other features associated with Multimedia. Also contains animated stories about Ganesha. |

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| 5. | Sathya-Narayana Pooja | This is a Multimedia teaching package for performing the Pooja of Lord Sathya Narayana, with explanation of significance of performance of each aspect, with voice-over of each mantra, meaning of the mantra in text etc., with animation and other features associated with Multimedia. Also contains animated stories about Ganesha. |
| 6. | Vaibhava Lakshmi Pooja | This is a Multimedia teaching package for performing the Pooja of Godess Lakshmi, with explanation of significance of performance of each aspect, with voice-over of each mantra, meaning of the mantra in text etc., with animation and other features associated with Multimedia. Also contains animated stories about Ganesha. |
| 7. | Hanuman | This is a Multimedia teaching package for performing the Pooja of Lord Hanuman, with explanation of significance of performance of each aspect, with voice-over of each mantra, meaning of the mantra in text etc., with animation and other features associated with Multimedia. Also contains animated stories about Ganesha. |
| 8. | Bhagavan Ramanuja | This is a Multimedia package on the Life and works of Bhagavan Ramanuja. It contains details about his Life History, Works, Anecdotes. Pooja as prescribed by him is depicted graphically. Also contains detailed quiz, web links and videos. |
| 9. | Lives and Works of the Alwars | This is a Multimedia package on the Life and works of The Alwars. It contains details about)their Life History, works, Divya desas associated with them etc. |

i) Branches of Specialization:

1. Comparative Study and application of Ancient Indian Scientific Concepts to Modern Science especially Computer Science
2. Navya Nyaya
3. Prachina Nyaya
4. Visistadwaita Vedantha
5. Manuscriptology

j) Recognitions and honors won:

| Sl. No. | Particulars | Venue | Prize |
|----------------|--|------------------------------------|---|
| 1. | State level Elocution Competition | Adichunchanagiri, Karnataka - 1989 | III Prize |
| 2. | State level Elocution Competition | Adichunchanagiri, Karnataka - 1990 | I Prize |
| 3. | State level Elocution Competition | Adichunchanagiri, Karnataka - 1991 | I Prize |
| 4. | State level Elocution Competition | Shimoga, Karnataka - 1991 | I Prize |
| 5. | NT Shamanna Endowment Elocution Competition | Bangalore, 1989 | II Prize with Shawl |
| 6. | NT Shamanna Endowment Elocution Competition | Melkote, 1990 | I Prize with Shawl |
| 7. | NT Shamanna Endowment Elocution Competition | Melkote, 1991 | I Prize with Shawl |
| 8. | NT Shamanna Endowment Elocution Competition | Melkote, 1993 | I Prize with Silver Tumbler |
| 9. | Karnataka State Level Elocution Competition | Bangalore, 1991 | I Prize (in Sankhya) |
| 10. | Karnataka State Level Elocution Competition | Bangalore, 1992 | I Prize (in Sankhya) |
| 11. | All India Sanskrit Elocution Competition | Haridwar, 1992 | I Prize with Gold Medal (in Vedantha) |
| 12. | All India Sanskrit Elocution Competition | Haridwar, 1992 | III Prize with Bronze Medal (in Sankhya) |
| 13. | All India Sanskrit Elocution Competition | Calcutta, 1993 | I Prize with Gold Medal (in Vyakarana) |
| 14. | Many other prizes in various other elocution / memorization competitions | | |
