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Academic Profile (A Brief Curriculum Vitae)

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- Teaching Experience at PG Level 14 years and 5 Months (2009 to 2023); Teaching Experience at UG, B Tech Courses at AUS – 8 years (2000 to 2017); Teaching Experience at PG & UG at Private Institutions–5 Years (2004 to 2005)
- Areas of Specialization Contemporary Western Thought, Ethics- Applied Ethics, Critical Theory, Hermeneutics, Philosophy of Religion and Philosophy of Human Rights.
- Research Interests: Philosophical Concepts of Interculturality and Critique, Ethics and Reason, Democracy and Religion, Environmental Ethics, the Philosophy of Human Rights, Post- traditional Christianity and Buddhism.

# **Journal Publications**

- *Ethical Societies and Pedagogy: A Search for a Democratic and Interdisciplinary Paradigm,* Vol 48, Issue 1, Journal of Dharma, January-March, 2023, 9-28. 0253-7222
- The Concept of Rationality as Cultural Reflectivity: Juergen Habermas's Concept of Rationality as Model, Principal Author, Coauthored with Swarnali Roy Choudhury, Vol XXI, Issue 1, June, 2022, Omega - Indian Journal of Science and Religion. 0976-0601
- *The Notion of Authenticity and Jean Paul Sartre: A Conceptual Inquiry,* Principal Author, Coauthored with Bappa Ranjan Das, Vol &, Issue 11, International Journal of Scientific Development and Research, November, 2022. 2455-2631
- Cosmopolitan Christian Ethics: Sebastian Kappan's Christology as an Intervening Model, Principal Author with the Co Author-Vanlal Rinchhana, IJCRT-2208148, International Journal of Creative Research Thoughts, 2320-2882
- *Remembering Mahatma as Gandhi: Gandhi as Political Philosopher and Social Theorist*, Vol. 10, No.2, pp.v-xiv, Salesian Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences, December, 2019, 0976-1861
- *Philosophical 'Interpretativity' and Literary Creativity: A Hermeneutic Overview*, Vol.2, No1, pp. 150-159, JLLC Journal of Language, Literature and Culture, May, 2019, 2348-652 X
- *The Concept of Knowledge in Social Sciences: A Philosophical Appraisal*, Vol. 6, Issue 2, pp. 1-12, IJRAR, June, 2019, E-2348-1269 (UGC 43602)
- The Intersubjective Ideal of Knowledge and the Critique of the Empiricist Science, Vol. 2, No1, pp. 55-62, May,2015, 2349-3089
- Ecological Democracy as Deliberative Democracy: Vandana Shiva's Concept of Earth Democracy, with Violina Patowary, Vol. 6, Issue 2, pp.421-432, IJRAR, June, 2019, E-2348-1269 (UGC 43602
- *Gandhi's Legacy: Vandana Shiva as Gandhi's Heir, with Violina Patowary*, Vol. 10, No.2, pp.51-72, Vol. 10, No.2, Salesian Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences, December, 2019, 0976-1861

- The Cultural Fabric of Rabindranath Tagore's Philosophy of Cosmopolitanism, Think India Journal, Vol. 22, Issue -3,pp.790-808, September, 2019, 0971-1260
- Habermas and the Significance of the Depth Hermeneutics of Understanding, Assam University Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences, Vol 8, No.1, pp.133-148, 2013, 09734821
- Post-Religious Critique of Religion and Democracy: Juergen Habermas's Concept of Religion as Critique, Journal of Dharma, Vol.35, No.1, pp. 115-129, 2010, 02537222
- Intercultural Critique and Democracy: Sebastian Kappen's Interventions in Indian Philosophy, Suvidya Journal of Religion and Culture, Vol.4, No., pp.27-40, 2010, 09746110
- *Interculturality and Ethics,* Assam University Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences, Vol.1, No.1, pp.33-45, 2010, 09752765.'
- *Christian Educational Institutions and Christian Identity*, Salesian Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences, Vol.6, No, pp. 11-24, 2015, 09761861
- Solidarity Rights and Community: The Oeuvre of the Intersubjective *Paradigm*, Journal of North East Indian Cultures, Vol.2, No.1, pp.13-27, 2015, 23220988
- *Disciplinary Narcissism and the Pedagogy of Transdisciplinarity*, Salesian Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences, Vol.4, No., , pp.155-168, 2013, 09761861
- *Writing as Translatability: The Intercultural Dynamics of Translatability*, Salesian Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences, Vol.3, No. ,pp.55-65, 2012, 09761861
- Between Authenticity and Otherness: Habermas and the Concept of the Experience of Life in Contemporary Philosophical Discourses, Salesian Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences, Vol.1, No., pp. 93-102, 2010, 09761861
- The Concept of Dialogical Islam: Ashgar Ali Engineer and the Indian Secularism Debate, Coauthored as Principal Author with Abul Hassan Mazumdar, Intellection: Journal, Vol.2, No., pp. 7-15, 2014, 23198192.

# **Chapters Authored in Books**

- □ The Ideal of Understanding and Critical Hermeneutics: The Habermasian Trail, in Philosophical Perspectives of Hermeneutics, Edited By R Lekshmi & Nazneen A, Prasakthi Book House, Kerala, 2019, ISBN- 978-81-923313-0-0
- Knowledge and Rights: Towards More Decentred Theoretic Frames, in Knowledge, Theorization and Rights: Renegotiating the Connectives, Ed.: Pius V Thomas, Salesian College Publications-Siliguri, 2015. IBBN-978-93-82216-12-4)
- Theorizing Religious Knowledge: Faith, Reason and religious Plurality, in Knowledge, Theorization and Rights: Renegotiating the Connectives, Ed.: Pius V Thomas, Salesian College Publications-Siliguri, 2015. IBBN- 978-93-82216-12-4
- Religious Traditions, the Ethics of Plurality and the Development Ethos.
  Spirituality, Culture and Development, Ed. Chathapuram
  Ramanathan et al, New York, Lexington Books, Coauthored with
  C S Ramanathan, & Pravina Ramanathan, 2016, ISBN 97814985196 70

- The Significance of the Discourse on the Dravidian Culture in the Multicultural Context: Some Observations, Western Encounter With Indian Philosophy, Ed. Augustine Thottakkara, Dharmaram Publications, 2002, ISBN-81-86861-40-8
- □ Science and the Intersubjective Ideal of Knowledge, in Between Science and Philosophy (243-255), Edupedia, 2014, IBBN-978-1517065 2 94.

## **Books Published**

 Knowledge, Theorization and Rights: Renegotiating the Connectives, Ed.: Pius V Thomas, Salesian College Publications-Siliguri, 2015. IBBN- 978-93-82216-12-4 (Edited Volume Published)

### **Study Materials Prepared**

- Human Rights: An Introduction, Printed at Mamon Press, Silchar. 2015
- *Ethics, Applied Ethics and Values: An Introduction*, Printed at Live Design Hub, Thrissur, Kerala. 2023.

### **Forthcoming Volumes**

- 'Relocating the Political Gandhi', Edited Volume of Collected Papers
- *Cosmopolitan Thought and The Displaced*', Edited Volume of Collected Papers
- 'Human Rights: Perspectives', Edited Volume of Collected Papers
- 'The Patterns of Intersubjectivity'.

#### Invited Lectures/ Seminars/ Conferences/Webinars

- Seminars and Conferences (National/ University Level)-38
- Seminars and Conferences (International Level) -12
- Invited Special Lectures -15
- Webinars

#### **Research Guidance**

- PhD Awarded 06
- Submitted -02
- Currently Ongoing 03
- M Phil Awarded 01

# **Ongoing Research Project**

*Post-traditional Meaning and Significance of the Concept of Meditation in Tibetan Buddhism and Catholicism*, (Principal Investigator) June 2019 to June, 2023 (Two Years Extension granted due to Pandemic), 8.6 Lakhs, Salesian Research Centre and United Board, The Chinese University of Honkong, 2 Yrs, Non-Governmental.

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# **Administrative Positions Held**

- 1. CPIO, RTI, AUS- From December, 2016 to September, 2017
- 2. Nodal Officer, RTI, AUS From December, 2016 to Till Date
- 3. Head, Department of Philosophy, AUS From November, 2019 to Till Date