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Educational Qualification:

Ph. D. Sociology	Centre for the Study of Social Systems, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
M. Phil Sociology	Centre for the Study of Social Systems, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
M.A. Sociology	Department of Sociology, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi
B.A.	Zakir Husain College, University of Delhi, New Delhi

Work Experience:

Institute	Designation	Date	Activities
V.V. Giri National Labour Institute (Ministry of Labour & Employment)	Associate Fellow	06/12/2010 till date	Teaching (MPhil/PhD; Teachers), Training (Trade Union Leaders, Govt. Officials, Civil Societies); Research; Administrative duties
Women's Studies and Development Centre, University of Delhi	Senior Fellow	15/10/2010 to 03/12/2010	Teaching (MA Level); Research; Administrative duties
Department of Sociology, Sikkim University, Gangtok	Assistant Professor	01/10/ 2008 to 16/09/ 2010	Teaching (BA;MA & MPhil); Research; Administrative duties

Book/Volume Publication:

- Kshetrimayum, Otojit. 2017. *Industrial Relations in India: A Study of Central Industrial Relations Machinery*. Noida: VVG NLI. ISBN: 978-93-82902-47-8.
- Kshetrimayum, Otojit. 2016. *Skilling India: Evaluation of Multi Skills Development Centres*. Noida: VVG NLI. ISBN: 978-93-82902-38-6
- Kshetrimayum, Otojit. 2016. *Women and Entrepreneurship in North East India: Handloom as an Enterprise in Manipur*. Noida: VVG NLI. ISBN 9789382902379
- Kshetrimayum, Otojit. 2014. *Ritual, Politics and Power in North East India: Contextualising the Lai Haraoba of Manipur*. New Delhi: Ruby Press & Co. ISBN: 9789382395508.
- Edited a **Special Issue on Labour, Employment and Social Protection in North East India** of Labour & Development, Volume 20, No. 2, December 2013. ISSN 0973-0419.

Published research papers/articles:

- Kshetrimayum, Otojit. 2016. ‘**Skill Development in India and Contributions of Korean Companies**’ in *International Labor Brief*, Vol. 14, No. 5, pp.78-91. ISSN 1599-8355.
- Kshetrimayum, Otojit. 2016. **Skilling India: Contribution of Korean Companies** in Narsimhan, Sushila & Kim Do Young (Eds.). *Evolving Indo-Korea Relations: Perspectives on South Asia*. New Delhi: Manak Publications. ISBN 978-93-7831-386-8.
- Kshetrimayum, Otojit. 2015. **Mapping Social Contributions of Foreign Companies: A Case Study of Corporate Social Responsibility Initiatives of Korean Companies in India** in Sushila Narsimhan and Kim Do Young (ed.). *Deepening India-Korea Relations: Towards a Sustainable Future*. New Delhi: Manak Publications. pp 47-68. ISBN 978-93-7831-386-8.
- Kshetrimayum, Otojit. 2015. “**Political Interpretation of Ritual: Case of Lai Haraoba of Manipur**” in Lisham Henthoiba and Laishram Churchil (ed.). *Cultural Practices and Identity Politics in Manipur*. New Delhi: Concept Publishing Company. pp. 18-31. ISBN 978-93-5125-143-9.
- Kshetrimayum, Otojit. 2013. “**Sociology of Labour and Social Stratification in North East India: Contextualising Handloom Weaving as an Occupational Craft in Manipur**” in *Labour & Development*, Volume 20, No. 2, pp. 82-103. ISSN 09730419.
- Kshetrimayum, Otojit. 2013. ‘**CSR Provisions in Indian Companies Act, 2013: An Overview**’ in *International Labor Brief*, Vol. 11, No. 11, pp.90-95. ISSN 1599-8355.
- Kshetrimayum, Otojit. 2012. “**Cloth, Women and Social Change: Situating Handloom Weaving in Manipur**” in Sakarama Somayaji and Vimal Khawas (ed.). *Environment, Development and Social Change in Himalayan Region*. New Delhi: Akansha Publishing House. ISBN 978-81-8370-319-2.
- Kshetrimayum, Otojit. 2011. “**Rethinking Cooperatives in Rural Development: A Case Study of Handloom Weavers’ Cooperatives in Manipur**” in *Labour & Development*, Volume 18. Pp. 65-79. ISSN 0973-0419.
- Kshetrimayum, Otojit. 2011. “**Political Interpretation of Ritual: Case of Lai Haraoba of Manipur**” in *Alternative Perspectives*, Volume V Special Issue, pp.18-29. ISSN 2248-969X.
- Kshetrimayum, Otojit. 2009. “**Women and Shamanism in Manipur and Korea: A Comparative Study**” in *Indian Anthropologist*. Vol. 39. No. 1&2. ISSN 0970-0927.
- Kshetrimayum, Otojit & Ningomba, Victoria Chanu. 2008. “**Mapping Cultural Diffusion: A Case Study of ‘Korean Wave’ (Hallyu) in North East India**” in Sushila Narsimhan and Kim Do Young (ed.). *India and Korea: Bridging the Gaps*. New Delhi: Manak Publications. p. 181-195. ISBN 81-7827198-2.
- Kshetrimayum, Otojit. 2007. “**ICT Integration in School Education: A Sociological Proposition**” in *Journal of Indian Education*. Vol. XXXIII. No. 1. p. 62-70. ISSN 0972-5628.

Completed Research Projects:

1. **Project Director of the study “Labour Market and Social Protection in North East India” (Ongoing; since 1st August, 2016)**
2. **Project Director of “Dynamics of Employment and Socio-Economic Reality: A Study of Children at Work in Jaintia Hills Districts of Meghalaya” in collaboration with Labour Department, Government of Meghalaya. (Completed; 9th October, 2013- 14th September, 2015)**
3. **Project Director of “Evaluation of Multi Skills Development Centres in Gulbarga and Bangalore, Karnataka” commissioned by the Directorate General of Employment & Training, Ministry of Labour & Employment. (Completed; 3rd July, 2014-11th March, 2015)**
4. **Project Director of “Evaluation of the Plan Schemes of the Office of Chief Labour Commissioner (Central)” commissioned by the Office of the Chief Labour Commissioner (Central), Ministry of Labour & Employment. (Completed; 16th October, 2012- 12th February, 2013)**
5. **Project Director of “Assessment of Trainers’ Requirement for Skilling 500 Million Persons by 2022” commissioned by the Ministry of Labour & Employment (Completed; 27th February, 2011-31st March, 2013)**

Seminar/Workshop Organised:

- Coordinator of the **Orientation Workshop on Labour and Employment in North East India: Issues, Concerns and Challenges** organised by V.V. Giri National Labour Institute in collaboration with the Department of Sociology, Maitreyi College, University of Delhi on 12th April, 2017 at Maitreyi College, New Delhi.
- Coordinator of the **Orientation Programme on Labour and Employment Issues in North East India** organised by V.V. Giri National Labour Institute in collaboration with Sikkim Central University, Gangtok from 29 August-1 September, 2016 at Gangtok.
- **Workshop on Social Protection** for Senior Officials of Ministry with ILO December 10, 2015.
- Coordinator of the **National Seminar on Skilling of Youth for Zero Unemployment** organised by the Centre for North East, V. V. Giri National Labour Institute in collaboration with the Department of Commerce, Manipur University at Court Hall, Manipur University, Imphal on 22-23 December, 2015.
- Coordinator of the Two-Day National Seminar on **“Youth & Skill Development in North East India”** organised by V.V. Giri National Labour Institute in collaboration with Indian Council of Social Science Research-North Eastern Regional Centre (ICSSR-NERC) on 26th-27th March, 2015 at ICSSR-NERC, Shillong.
- Coordinator of the Two-Day National Seminar on **“Labour and Employment Trends in North Eastern Region: Challenges and Opportunities”** on 30th-31st March, 2012 at V.V. Giri National Labour Institute, Noida.
- Coordinator of the Course on **“Research Methodology in Social Sciences”** conducted by ICSSR-North Eastern Regional Centre, Shillong and Sikkim University, Gangtok held from 20th to 23rd August, 2010 in Sikkim University.

Courses Introduced in VVGNLI:

- Labour Market, Employment and Social Protection in North East India
- Sociology of Labour and Globalisation in India
- Sociology of Labour and Globalisation in North East India

Administrative Experience in VVGNLI:

- Convener of the **42nd Foundation Day** Celebration of the Institute
- Coordinator of the **Centre for North East** since 11th January, 2013
- Associate Editor of the institute's journal, **Labour & Development**
- Associate editor of the institute's journal, **Awards Digest: Journal of Labour Legislation**
- Coordinator of the international training programme on "**Social Protection in a Globalised Economy**" under ITEC/SCAAP Programme of the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India.
- Coordinator of the Committee for **Assessing Research and Training Needs in North Eastern Region**
- Coordinator of the training programme on "Social Security for Unorganised Workers" in collaboration with Maharashtra Institute of Labour Studies, Mumbai.
- Member of the Review Committee of the Recommendations of the 2nd National Commission on Labour
- Member of the **Drafting Committee of Indian Labour Conference & Standing Labour Conference**

Other administrative experience:

- **President (2013-14)** of the **Researchers' Association for the Study of Korea (RASK)** and organized an **International Seminar on Deepening India-Korea Relations: Towards A Sustainable Future** in collaboration with Centre for East Asian Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University and sponsored by Korea Foundation on 21st & 22nd March, 2014.
- **Joint Secretary (2012-13)** of the **Researchers' Association for the Study of Korea (RASK)** and organized an **International Seminar on Growing Synergy after 40 Years of India and Korea Diplomatic Relations** in collaboration with Department of East Asian Studies, University of Delhi and sponsored by Korea Foundation on 22nd & 23rd March, 2013.

Administrative Experience in Sikkim University:

(a) University administration

- Coordinator of the Course on Research Methodology in Social Sciences conducted by ICSSR-North Eastern Regional Centre, Shillong and Sikkim University, Gangtok held on 20th to 23rd August 2010 in Sikkim University.
- Coordinator of the Department of Social Systems and Anthropology from 13th November 2008 to 15th September 2009.
- Member Secretary of the College Inspection Team of Sikkim University.

- Coordinator of Sikkim University UGC-NET Coaching Centre for SC/ST/OBC/Minority students.
- Member of the Committee on Grading and Credit System, Sikkim University.
- Member of the Recruitment Rules Committee, Sikkim University.
- Member of the Purchase Committee for Procurement of Capital Items, Sikkim University.

(b) Extra-curricular activities for students:

- Coordinator of the SPICMACAY Concert 2009 and 2010.
- Coordinator of the Earth Hour 2010 Campaign in Sikkim and organised a “Paint the Change Contest” on the impact of Climate Change in Sikkim in collaboration with WWF-India on 12th March 2010.
- Coordinator of the “Ten Minutes to Greenery” campaign of the Government of Sikkim in Sikkim University held on 15th July 2009.
- Coordinator of One Day Workshop on Youth Leadership Training: Joining Hands to Build a Bright future held on 12th May 2009 in collaboration with Sikkim University and Universal Peace Federation of India, Sikkim Chapter.
- Coordinator of the Earth Hour 2009 and Sikkim “Batti Bandh” campaign and initiated a signature campaign in and around Gangtok from 23rd to 28th of March 2009.

(c)Curriculum development/design of new curricula and courses:

- Coordinator and member of the Syllabus Revisiting and Unitisation for Undergraduate courses of Sikkim University: BA Sociology, B Com, BEd and BA Education held from 14th to 23rd June 2010.
- Coordinator of Credit Allocation and Unitisation for Post Graduate Courses in Sikkim University including MA Mass Communication.
- Member of the Curriculum Development Committee for M Phil Sociology of Sikkim University held on 13th and 14th March 2010.
- Coordinator and member of Curriculum Designing Committee for Integrated BSc-MSc Psychology, Sikkim University held on 15th and 16th May 2009.
- Coordinator and member of Curriculum Designing Committee for MA Sociology, Sikkim University held on 10th and 11th March 2009.

Teaching Experience:

Papers taught:

- Religion and Society in India (MPhil,2010; Sikkim University, Gangtok)
- Social Movements in India (MA, 2009-2010; Sikkim University, Gangtok)
- Introduction to Sociology (BA; MA,2008-2010; Sikkim University, Gangtok)
- Applied Sociology (MA,2009-2010; Sikkim University, Gangtok)
- Indian Society: Rural Sociology (BA,2010; Sikkim University, Gangtok)
- Social Stratification in India (MA,2008; Sikkim University, Gangtok)
- Sociological Theory (MA, 2009; Sikkim University, Gangtok)

Foreign Visit:

1. Visited Turin, Italy for participation in the **Course on Learning Forum on Innovations in Public Investment and Employment Programmes** held at International Training Centre-International Labour Organisation, Turin from 26 September - 7 October 2016.
2. Presented a paper on “**Corporate Social Responsibility Practices in the Area of Employment and Industrial Relations in India**” in the 4th Korea Labour Institute and V.V. Giri National Labour Institute Seminar held at Korea Labour Institute, Seoul on 22nd August, 2013.
3. Selected for **Next Generation Leaders Programme** by Korea Foundation and visited Seoul, South Korea from 30th March-7th April, 2009.

Lectures delivered:

1. Delivered **two** lectures on *Labour and Employment Issues in North East India-I: The Idea of North East; Understanding the Concept of Work and Occupational Stratification; Labour & Employment Trends in North East; and Labour and Employment in North East India-II: Labour Legislations, Vulnerability and Social Protection in North East India; Gender and Labour; Skill and Entrepreneurship; Migrants from North East in Delhi* in the Workshop on ‘Labour and Employment Issues in North East India’ jointly organised by the Centre for North East India, V.V. Giri National Labour Institute, Noida and the IBSD Miranda House Centre for North East Studies, University of Delhi on 18th April 2017 at the Student Activity Centre of Miranda House, New Delhi.
2. Delivered **three** lectures on *Labour and Employment in North East India-I: The Idea of North East; Understanding the Concept of Work and Occupational Stratification; Labour & Employment Trends in North East; Labour and Employment in North East India-II: Labour Legislations, Vulnerability and Social Protection in North East India; Gender and Labour; and Labour and Employment in North East India-III: Skill and Entrepreneurship; Migrants from North East in Delhi* in the Workshop on ‘Labour and Employment in North East India: Issues, Concerns and Challenges’ jointly organised by the Centre for North East India, V.V. Giri National Labour Institute, Noida and the Department of Sociology, Maitreyi College, University of Delhi on 12th April 2017 at the Seminar Hall of Maitreyi College, New Delhi.
3. Delivered **three** lectures on *Labour and Employment Issues in North East- I: Labour and Employment Issues in North East: An overview; Understanding Work in North East India: Historical & Cultural Perspective; Mapping Occupational Stratification in North East; Labour and Employment Issues in North East-II: Labour Legislation in North East; Industrial Relations & Corporate Social Responsibility; Vulnerability and Social Protection in North East India; Out-Migration from North East; and Labour and Employment Issues in North East-III: Child Labour Issues in North East India; Gender & Labour in North East; Skill Development & Tourism; Handloom Sector; Look East Policy: Issues of Employment; Research Design & Evaluation Method* on 16th, 17th and 18th March, 2017 respectively in the modular workshop on ‘Labour Markets in North East: Historical Explorations and Emerging Issues’ at the Centre for Labour Studies and Social Protection, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Guwahati Campus
4. Delivered a lecture on *Social Security in India: Constitutional and Social Perspectives* in the training programme for newly recruited Assistant Provident Fund Commissioners organised by Pandeeet Deen Dayal Upadhyaya National Academy of Social Security, New Delhi on 18th November, 2016.

5. Delivered a lecture on ***Social Security: Issues and Challenges*** in the training programme for newly recruited Assistant Provident Fund Commissioners organised by Pandeet Deen Dayal Upadhyaya National Academy of Social Security, New Delhi on 11th November, 2016.
6. Delivered a lecture on ***Social Security for Formal and Informal Workforce: Lessons from the Field*** in the training programme for Assistant Provident Fund Commissioners organised by Pandeet Deen Dayal Upadhyaya National Academy of Social Security, New Delhi on 23rd June, 2016.
7. Delivered a lecture on ***Constraints Generally Faced by All Evaluators*** in the training programme for Directors and faculties of State Judicial Academies organised by National Judicial Academy, Bhopal on 3rd September, 2015.
8. Delivered a lecture on ***Evaluation of Higher Education: Methods and Concerns*** in the training programme for Directors and faculties of State Judicial Academies organised by National Judicial Academy, Bhopal on 2nd September, 2015.
9. Delivered a lecture on ***Designing Sample Surveys: A Qualitative Approach*** in the training programme on Planning and Designing of Sample Surveys conducted by *National Statistical Systems Training Academy*, Greater Noida on 17th February, 2015.

Workshop/Seminar/Conference attended (as Speaker):

International:

1. Participated as one of the panelists in the **Panel Discussion on Understanding the Role of Public Spending, Employment and Social Protection** organised by the International Training Centre-International Labour Organisation, Turin on 28th September, 2016 at ITC-ILO, Turin.
2. Presented a paper on **Mapping the Traditions of Social Organisation: The Case of Rotating Savings and Credit Associations in Korea and India** in the international Seminar on *India-Korea Relations: Forging a Multidimensional Partnership in the 21st Century* organized by the centre for East Asian Studies, Delhi University and Researchers' Association for the Study of Korea on 18-19 April, 2016.
3. Presented a paper on **Skill Development in India and Korea** in the international Seminar on *Evolving Indo-Korea Relations: Perspective on South Korea* organized by the Department of East Asian Studies, Delhi University and Researchers' Association for the Study of Korea on 27-28 March, 2015.
4. Presented a paper on **Decoding the Dynamics of Ritual in North East India** in the two-day International Seminar on **Performative Communication Culture and Politics in South Asia** on 20-21 January, 2015 co-organized by Department of Sociology, South Asian University & Centre for Culture Media & Governance, Jamia Millia Islamia in association with Indian Council of Social Science Research.
5. Presented a paper on **“Corporate Social Responsibility Initiatives of Korean Companies in India”** in the International Seminar organized by Centre for East Asian Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University and Researchers' Association for the Study of Korea on 21-22 March, 2014.
6. Presented a paper on **“Corporate Social Responsibility Practices in the Area of Employment and Industrial Relations in India”** in the 4th Korea Labour Institute and V.V. Giri National Labour Institute Seminar held at Korea Labour Institute, Seoul on 22nd August, 2013.
7. Presented a paper on **“Social Security in India and Korea: A Comparative Study”** in the International Seminar organized by University of Delhi and Researchers' Association for the Study of Korea on 22-23 March, 2013.

8. Presented a paper on **“Social Security System in India”** in the 3rd Korea Labour Institute and V.V. Giri National Labour Institute Seminar held at VVGNLI, Noida on 23rd April, 2012.
9. Presented a paper on **“The Politics of Handloom as a Craft: Exploring the Dynamics of Cloth, Society and Social Change in Manipur”** in the 12th International Conference on *Arts and Aesthetics in a Globalizing World* organized by Association of Social Anthropologists at Jawaharlal Nehru University from 3-6 April, 2012.
10. Presented a paper on **“Contextualising India’s North East in India-Korea Relations: A Cultural Perspective”** in the International Seminar organized by University of Delhi and Researchers’ Association for the Study of Korea on 16-17 March, 2012.
11. Presented a paper on **“Unmasking Cooperatives in Social Transformation: A Study of Handloom Industry in Manipur”** in the International Seminar on *Challenges of Development in North East India: Issues and Concerns* organised by the Department of Sociology, University of Delhi on 3rd & 4th November, 2011.
12. Presented a paper on **“Sovereignty of Police and Illegitimacy of State: A case study of Manipur”** in the International Seminar on *Social Violence and Police: Cross-National Experiences* on 9th and 10th March 2010 organised by Sikkim University and Centre for Public Affairs at Gangtok.
13. Visited Institute of South Asian Studies, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, Seoul, South Korea as part of the Intellectual Exchange Programme organized by Korea Foundation, Government of Republic of Korea from 31st March to 7th April 2009.
14. Presented a paper **“Contextualising Social Organisation in Korea and North East India: A Case study of Kye and Marup”** in the International Seminar on *India-Korea Relations in the Resurgent Asia* organized by the Researchers’ Association for the Study of Korea at University of Delhi on 20th and 21st February, 2009.
15. Presented a paper on **“Between Human and Spirit: The *Mudangs* and the *Maibis*”** in the International Seminar on *Upcoming Horizons of Indo Korea Relations* organized by Researchers’ Association for the Study of Korea, University of Delhi on February 20 and 21, 2008 at New Conference Centre, University of Delhi.
16. Presented a paper **“Gender, Status and Power: The Case of Handloom Industry in Manipur”** in the International Seminar on *Mainstreaming of Women in Work and Political Processes: Issues, Challenges and Way Forward* organized by Women’s Studies and Development Centre, University of Delhi, Delhi-110007 from 5th to 7th November, 2008.
17. Presented a paper on **“Mapping Cultural Diffusion: A Case Study of ‘Korean Wave’ in North East India”** in the International Seminar on *Indo-Korean Relations* organized by Researchers’ Association for the Study of Korea, University of Delhi on February 19 and 20, 2007 at India Habitat Centre.

National:

1. Presented a paper on **Vulnerability and Social Protection in North East India** in the panel on North East titled ‘Development and Employment in North East India: Perspectives and Policies’ as part of the 58th Annual Conference of the Indian Society of Labour Economics at IIT Guwahati on 26 November, 2016.
2. Presented a paper on **‘Interrogating Financial Security Through Financial Inclusion: A Case Study of Social Security Schemes in North East India’** in the national seminar on *Financial Inclusion in India* organised by the Department of Commerce, Manipur University on 12-13 May, 2016 at Manipur University, Imphal.

3. Presented a paper on **Skilling Youth for Livelihood Security in Manipur: Trends, Prospects and Challenges** in the National Seminar on *Skilling of Youth for Zero Unemployment* organised by the Centre for North East, V. V. Giri National Labour Institute in collaboration with the Department of Commerce, Manipur University at Court Hall, Manipur University, Imphal on 22nd December, 2015.
4. Presented a paper on **Skill Development in Tourism Sector in North East India** in the Two-Day National Seminar on *Youth & Skill Development in North East India* organised by Centre for North East, V.V. Giri National Labour Institute in collaboration with Indian Council of Social Science Research-North Eastern Regional Centre (ICSSR-NERC) on 26th-27th March, 2015 at ICSSR-NERC, Shillong.
5. Discussant in the seminar on **'Migration From North-East To Urban Centers: A Study of Delhi Region'** on 30th September, 2011 at School of Interdisciplinary and Transdisciplinary Studies, IGNOU, New Delhi.
6. Presented a paper on **"Women as 'Business': Reading Images of Women in Advertisements"** in the two days Seminar on *"Portrayal of Women in Contemporary Media: A Curse or A Boon"* organised by Bhim Rao Ambedkar College, University of Delhi on 24th and 25th January 2011.
7. Discussant of the session **"Yashpal Committee Report: Implications for Universities in the North East"** in the National Seminar on *Higher Education: The way ahead* on 10th August 2009 organised by Sikkim University.
8. Presented a paper **"Cloth, Society and Social Change: Situating Handloom Weaving as an Industry in Manipur"** in the *All India Sociological Conference* organized by Indian Sociological Society at University of Rajasthan, Jaipur from 27th to 29th December, 2008.
9. Presented a paper on **"Cooperatives as an Agent of Rural Development: The Handloom Cooperatives of Manipur"** in the National Seminar on *Rural Development: Issues and Challenges* organised by Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), New Delhi on March 17 and 18, 2008.
10. Presented a paper on **"Rethinking Cooperatives in Rural Development: A Case Study of Handloom Weaving Cooperatives in Manipur"** in the National Seminar on *Revitalising Rural Institutes: Problems and Prognosis* organised by National Council of Rural Institutes (NCRI), Hyderabad and Centre for the Study of Social Systems, School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi at Gandhi Darshan and Smriti, Rajghat, New Delhi on March 15 and 16, 2008.
11. Presented a paper on **"Interrogating Women Empowerment: The Case of Handloom Cooperative Weavers of Manipur"** in the National Seminar on *Problems of Rural Women Empowerment with special reference to Manipur* organized by Waikhom Mani Girl's College, Thoubal, Manipur on February 20 and 21, 2008.
12. Presented a paper on **"Between Human and Spirit: Exploring Shamanism in Korea and North East India"** in the Inter-University Inter-Disciplinary Seminar on *Explorations in Anthropology and Allied Disciplines: Emerging Trends and Challenges* organized by Department of Anthropology, University of Delhi on March 7 and 8, 2008.
13. Presented a paper on **"Sociology of Craft: The Weaving Tradition of Manipur"** in the Brainstorming Session on North East India organized by Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts, New Delhi on April 19 and 20, 2007.
