

Resume



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Ph.D. Thesis Early Historic Archaeology of the Upper Kaveri Basin with Special Reference to the District of Mysore (2006) (Deccan College, Pune).

Ph.D. Supervisor Prof.K. Paddayya, Department of Archaeology, Deccan College Post Graduate and Research Institute, Pune.

Present Designation: Assistant Professor, Department of Studies in Ancient History and Archaeology, Manasagangotri, Mysore (since 13th July 2007)

Served as Chairperson of the Department of Studies in Ancient History and Archaeology from 7th November 2015 – 7th November 2017

Editorial Assistance:

1. Worked as translator in addition to providing special assistance (2007-09) in editing, proof reading and collection of photographs, under the Editorship of Prof A Sundara, for the Subject Encyclopedia of *History and Archaeology*, published by Kuvempu Institute of Kannada Studies, Manasagangotri, Mysore, in 2009.
2. Worked in the capacity of *Honorary Editor*, General Encyclopedia, Vol. 6. published by Kuvempu Institute of Kannada Studies, University of Mysore, in 2013 (revised and reprint).

Research Projects:

1. Minor Research Project (awarded by University of Mysore) – Megalithic Mortuary Practices in the Male Mahadeshwara hill ranges (Chamarajanagar district, Karnataka) (ongoing)
2. Collaboration with Dr. Namita Sugandhi, Faculty, Department of Anthropology Hartwick College, New York, USA, in her Project (2018-19) titled “The Indian Cosmopolis: Micropolitics and the Articulation of Sovereignty at Tekkalakota”, funded by the National Geographic Society (excavations were conducted at Tekkalakote, Bellary dt, Karnataka, in January 2019 as part of the project and analysis of artefacts are underway).
3. Small Study and Research Grant (India) for the year 2013-14, Project title: “*Megalithic-Early Historical Landscape of the Hugyam valley, Kollegal Taluk, Chamarajanagar District,*

Karnataka", funded by Nehru Trust for the Indian Collection at the Victoria and Albert Museum, New Delhi (Completed).

4. Invited to be a team member in the Project titled *Search for Archaeo-astronomical data from the Megalithic Burials of Nagpur, Maharashtra, with special Reference to the site of Mahurjhari and Junapani*, carried out by the Indian Rock Art Research Centre, Nasik, in collaboration with the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (TIFR), Mumbai (August 2009-July 2010), funded by (Rs. 50,000) TIFR.

Publications

1. Shobha, V. 2017. Kollegala talukina eradu aparoopada bande chitragalu, *Itihasa Darpana*, Vol. 31-32, pp 51-56.
2. Shobha, V. 2012. Karnatakadalli aarambhika krishiya ugama, vikasa mattu tantragarike-ondu avalokana, *Itihasa Darpana* Vol. 12-13 (Jan-June 2012), (Special edition on Studies in Karnataka archaeology), pp. 79-94.
3. Shobha, V. 2012. Karnatakada Aadi-charitrika hanta: Charitre mattu Puratattva (translation of S. Nagaraju's article 'The Early Historical Phase in the History and Archaeology of Karnataka', 1990), *Itihasa Darpana* Vol. 12-13 (Jan-June 2012), (Special edition on Studies Karnataka archaeology), pp. 66-78.
4. P.K. Thomas, Arati Deshpande-Mukherjee and V. Shobha. 2006. Faunal Assemblages from Kanenur, Kaveripura and Kannikere: Iron Age/Early Historic Sites in Karnataka, *Man and Environment* XXXI (2).
5. Contributed as many as 40 articles for the Encyclopaedia of History and Archaeology, published by KIKS, University of Mysore and translated about 40 articles from English to Kannada for the same Volume.

Participation in Seminars and Workshops		
Year	Organizer/s	Title of the Seminar
2008 2 nd and 3 rd February	Anthropology Department, Hampi University in association with Karnataka Sangha, Mandya	Inter-disciplinary Seminar – Literature, Ancient History and Anthropology
2009 30 th -31 st March	DOS in Ancient History and Archaeology, Manasagangotri	National Workshop on <i>Indian Archaeology</i>
2012 5-10-2012	Department of History, Providence College for Women, Coonoor, Tamil Nadu in association with State Department of Archaeology, Tamil Nadu	UGC sponsored National Seminar on "Marine Archaeology with special reference to ancient ports and maritime centres in Tamil Nadu
2012 16-18 th November	RASI (Agra) and Shivayogi Ashram, Badami	17 th Congress of Rock Art Society of India (RASI)
10 th to 14 th of	IIT Gandhinagar, Gujrat	short term course cum workshop on <i>History, science</i>

August, 2015	and ASI, IIT Gandhinagar campus	<i>and technology of Stone Beads</i>
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Year	Organizer, International/National/Regional Place	Level of Participation	Title of the Paper
2003	National Annual Meet of Indian Society for Prehistoric and Quaternary Studies, Tirupathi	Paper presented with R.K. Mohanty, Riza Abbas and Veena Mushriff-Tripathy	<i>The Recent Archaeological Investigations of the Early Iron Age Site of Mahurjhari, Vidarbha 2002-2003</i>
2006	National Annual Meet of Indian Society for Prehistoric and Quaternary Studies, Gwalior	Paper presented with M.D. Kajale, Vibha Tripathi, A.K. Singh and D. Pujari	<i>The Initial Results of Ancient Plant Economy from Excavation at Agiabir 2005-2006, District Mirzapur, Uttar Pradesh</i>
2007	International Colloquium Center Europeann De Recherches Prehisotirques De Tautavel, France	Paper presented with Riza Abbas, Sheila Mishra, Sushma Deo and Prabodh Shirvalkar	<i>Nature and Context of Acheulian sites in the Harauti Plateau, Rajasthan, India</i>
2010	International Conference, Society of South Asian Archaeology, Sri Lanka	Paper presentation with Riza Abbas, Mayank Vahia, R.K. Mohanty and Aniket Sule	<i>Megalithic Site of Junapani and Its Possible Astronomical Significance</i>
2010 (26 th August)	National Seminar on 'Recent Trends in the Study of Karnataka History', Bharatiya Samskriti Vidyapitha, Bangalore under the sponsorship of Indian Council of Historical Research, Bangalore.	Invited Lecture	<i>Early Historic and Medieval Archaeological Studies in Karnataka</i>
2011 (23-28th March)	Regional workshop titled 'Archaeology and Sciences' Department of Ancient History and Archaeology, Kannada University, Hampi at Suttur (Mysore district)	Resource Person	<i>Archaeological Exploration</i>
2012 (20-26th June)	State-level Training program 'Archaeological exploration with special reference to Karnataka' organized by State Department of Archaeology, Museums and Heritage in Venkatappa Gallery, Bangalore, for its newly recruited	Resource Person	<i>'Stone tool typology and technology'.</i>
2015 23-8-2015	One day state-level Seminar organized by the State Department of Archaeology,	Invited Paper/Resource Person	<i>Archaeological Collection in Bangalore Government</i>

	Museums and Heritage of as part of 150 th year Celebrations of Bangalore Government Museum at Venkatappa Art Gallery, Bangalore		<i>Museum</i>
2015 12-12-2015 and 13-12-2015	Two day state-level “women seminar” on the theme “society of women as depicted in inscriptions”, organized by the Mythic Society, Bangalore	Invited paper	<i>Women in inscriptions from 2nd c BC to 10th c AD</i>
2017 16th-19th January	International Seminar on ‘Field Archaeology’ organized By Department of Archaeology University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram	Paper presented	Application of DGPS for Documentation of Megalithic Burial clusters in Hoogya Valley, Karnataka
2019 10 th August 2019	National Seminar on the History and Culture of South India Organized by Department of History and Ancient History and Archaeology Mulki Sunder Ram Shetty College Shirva, Dakshina Kannada dt.	Paper Presented With Karthik Raj R.	Discovery of a Terracotta Sarcophagus at Alambadi in Cauvery Wildlife Sanctuary, Chamarajanagar district, Karnataka
2019 10 th August 2019	National Seminar on the History and Culture of South India Organized by Department of History and Ancient History and Archaeology Mulki Sunder Ram Shetty College Shirva, Dakshina Kannada dt.	Paper Presented With Shantharaju M.	Megalithic Burial sites in Biligiriranganathaswamy Tiger Reserve Forest (BRT).
2019 7 th -10 th November	International Joint Annual Conference (IAS, ISPQS and HCS) Held at University of Kerala Thiruvananthapuram	Paper Presented with Chandan Kumar D.M	Recent Archaeological Investigation in Coorg

Seminar/Workshops organized			
Year	Seminar/Workshop	Title/Theme	Resource Persons
2016 05-04-2006	Workshop Department-level	“Karnatakada Devalaya Vaastu mattu Shilpa Parampare”	<i>Dr. M.S. Krishnamurthy (Mysuru) and Dr. Manoj (Bengaluru)</i>
2016	Workshop Department-level (two-day)	Prehistoric Stone Tool Technology	<i>Dr. Akhilesh Kumar, Chennai</i>

11-5-2016 and 12-05- 2016			
2017 12-4-2017 and 13-04- 2017	Workshop Department-level (two-day)	Conservation and Preservation of Archaeological Objects	<i>Shri S. Subbaraman, Mysuru</i>
2017 9th October to 11th October	National Workshop (Sponsored by ICHR, Delhi, and Dharmothana Trust, Dharmasthala)	“Temple Architecture and Iconography: in Sthapatis’ Perspective”	<i>Shri. K. Dakshinamoorthy Sthapati, Chennai, and Shri K. P. Umapathy Acharya, Kumbakonam, Tamil Nadu</i>
2017 8th November to 24rd November	National Level Sculptors’ Camp (Lalit Kala Akademi, New Delhi)	“Ancient Indian Sculptural Art”	<i>Camp Director: Shri Gudigar Puttaswamy, Goa Artistes: ten sculptors from Karnataka and Goa</i>

Memberships of associations

1. Indian Society for Prehistoric and Quaternary Studies, Pune (Life Member)
2. Rock Art Studies of India, Agra (Life Member)
3. Epigraphical Society of India, Mysore (Life Member)
4. Karnataka Itihasa Academy, Bangalore (Life Member)
5. Itihasa Darpana (Journal), Bangalore (Life Member)

Awards

- Special Prize with Citation for Academic Brilliance at undergraduate level conferred by the St. Mary’s Syrian College, Brahmavar, in 1997.
- Prof. H.D. Sankalia Memorial Gold Medal for securing highest marks in M.A. at Deccan College, Pune (1999).
- Dr. Malti Nagar Award for obtaining highest marks in Ethnoarchaeology paper in the M.A. examination at Deccan College (1999).