

Resume



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EDUCATION

- Jain Vishva Bharati Institute, India (1993-97): Ph.D. in Philosophy
- Junior Research Fellowship, UGC, India (1993): in Jainology and Prakrit
- Jain Vishva Bharati Institute, India (1991-92): M.A. in Jainology and Comparative Religion and Philosophy
- University of Ajmer, Ajmer, India (1997-90): B.A. in Philosophy

Areas of Specialization: Jainism, Asian Religions, Comparative Religion and Philosophy, Preksha Meditation and Yoga, Science of Living, Nonviolence, Sanskrit, and Prakrit Language and Literature

Areas of Competence: Religions, Philosophy, Ethics, Epistemology, Logic and Sanskrit Language

Language Known: Hindi, English, Gujarati, Sanskrit, Prakrit, and Rajasthani

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- College of Brahmi Vidyapeeth (under Parmarthika Shikshan Sanstha) since 1988 to 1998.
- Jain Vishva Bharati Institute (Deemed to be University) since 1994 onward
- Visiting Professor: Florida International University, Miami, USA, since August 17, 2010 to April 30, 2013.

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

- **Chair**, Department of Jainology and Comparative Religion and Philosophy JVBU, Ladnun, India since 2006 to 2009
- **Regional Coordinator**, International Summer School for Jain Studies, Jain Academic World, London from 2005-2007
- **Member**, Academic Council of International Summer School for Jain Studies, Jain Academic World, London from 2005-2007
- **Member**, Board of Management and Academic Council, JVBI from 2004 onward

- **Member**, Jain Education Research Foundation, Miami, USA since 2010
- **Member**, All India Council of Philosophy, Jabalpur, India since 2009
- **Editor**, “**JERF Newsletter**”, Jain Education and Research Foundation, Miami, USA since 2010 to 2013

RECENTLY DEVELOPED AND TAUGHT COURSES at FIU, Miami, USA

Seminar on Violence and Nonviolence, Religious Classics, Asian Religions, and Sanskrit Language Level I, II, Selected Jain Texts, Seminar on Jain Sacred Texts, Seminar on Jain Meditation, Yoga and Therapy.

CONFERENCES ORGANIZED (in India and abroad)

-“Role of Jainism in Evolving A New Paradigm of Philosophy”, A National Seminar, Sponsored by UGC, Jain Vishva Bharati Institute, Feb. 2008.

-“The Role of Jainism in Evolving a New Paradigm of Philosophy”, A Roundtable held on July 31, 2008 in **XXII World Congress of Philosophy**, July 30 to August 5, Seoul University, Seoul, South Korea.

-“Philosophy, Science and Culture”, A National and Interdisciplinary Seminar, Sponsored by ICPR, Jain Vishva Bharati Institute, Ladnun in Dec 21-22, 2008.

-“Jain Mathematics: Historical and Theoretical Aspects”, A National Seminar, Sponsored by UGC, Jain Vishva Bharati Institute, Ladnun, India from Oct 29-31, 2009.

-“Anekānta: A Panacea to the Problems of the Present Day World”, An Invited Session held on August 6, 2013 in **XXIII World Congress of Philosophy**, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Athens, Greece from August 4 to 10, 2013.

-“Jain View towards Philosophical Inquiry and Harmonious Ways of Living”, A Roundtable held on August 8, 2013 in **XXIII World Congress of Philosophy**, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Athens, Greece from August 4 to 10, 2013.

-“Relative Economics and Technological Advancements—Developments, Interdependence, Equilibrium and Sustainability”, An International Conference held in collaboration with **IRIRE**, Jain Vishva Bharati Institute, Ladnun, India, Sep. 21-22, 2013.

INVITED LECTURES DELIVERED

-Over 25 invited lectures delivered in USA, UK, Hongkong, Bangkok, China, South Korea, Indonesia, Nepal, Greece

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

-Over twenty-five conference presentations/participation in India and Abroad.

SPECIAL RESEARCH ACCOMPLISHMENT

- **Membership:**

- Member of Jain Education and Research Foundation, Miami, USA since 2010 to 13
- Co-investigator, Pilot Project on **Disable Learning through Preksha Meditation** of the department of 'Religious Studies', FIU, Miami, USA since 2011
- Director, Bhagawan Mahavir International Center for '**Scientific Research and Social Innovative Studies (SRSIS)**', JVBI, India since 2014
<http://www.jvbiresearch.co.in>
- Editor, JERF Newsletter, Jain Education and Research Foundation, Miami, USA from 2010-2013

- **Projects Completed:**

- Editing of the Paper II : **"Jain Philosophy"** of Certificate Course in "Jain Religion and Philosophy" from the department of Distance Education, JVBI in 2008.
- Editing of the Paper II : **"Basic Elements of Jain Philosophy"** of BA 3rd Year, Certificate Course in "Jain Religion and Philosophy" from the department of Distance Education, JVBI in 2008.
- Editing of the Paper IV : **"Jain Epistemology and Logic"** of MA in "Jainology and Comparative Religion and Philosophy" from the department of Distance Education, JVBI in 2008.

- **Projects Undertaken:**

- (i) **Major Research Projects**

1. **Co-ordinator** : Major/Mega Project, **"Development of Mathematical Thoughts in Jainism"** under Jain Vishva Bharati , Ladnun, INDIA
2. **Co-investigator**: Pilot Project on **"Learning Disabled College Students: Attention Benefit by Using Mahapraan Preksha Technique"**, FIU, USA in 2011-13
3. Major Project: **"English Translation of Selected Jain Agama"** (sent to UGC)
4. Major Project: Writing of Books on **"Learning Jain Culture"** for the Children (sent to UGC)

- (ii) **Book Projects**

5. Review of the book: **"Samanasuttam"** (Part II) , Center of Jain Studies, Somaiya College, Mumbai since Dec. 2013
6. Seminar Proceeding: **"Jain Philosophy, Science and Culture"**, co-edited by Prof. Samari Kanta Samanta, (**forthcoming** – Ladnun: Jain Vishva Bharati University, 2014).
7. Seminar Proceeding: **Jain Mathematics: Historical and Theoretical Aspects**, co-edited by Prof. Anupam Jain (**forthcoming** – Ladnun: Jain Vishva Bharati Institute, 2014).

8. Editing of the book “**Studies in the Jain Agama**” by Dayananda Bhargav, (forthcoming –Ladnun: Jain Vishva Bharati University, 2014).
9. Editing of the book”: “**Method of Teaching, Communication, Understanding, Translation and Interpretation Method in Jainism**” (With Special Reference to the Canon Anuyogadvāra), (forthcoming – Ladnun: Jain Vishva Bharati Institute, 2014).

RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS

Books:

-**Scientific Vision of Lord Mahāvīra: Philosophical and Scientific Study of a Jain Canonical Text Bhagavatī Sūtra**, Ladnun: Jain Vishva Bharati, 2005, pp.173

-**Basic Elements of Jain Philosophy**, ed. Samani Chaitanya Prajna, Ladnun: Jain Vishva Bharati Institute, 2000.

-**Jain Philosophy**, co-edited by Prof. Muni Mahendra Kumar, Ladnun: Jain Vishva Bharati Institute, 1st edn. 2005, 2nd edn. 2008.

-**Jainism in Modern Perspective**, Co-edited by Prof. Samari Kanta Samanta, Ladnun: Jain Vishva Bharati Institute, ISBN: 978-93-83634-03-3, 2013, pp. 266.

-Souvenir: **Role of Jainism in Evolving A New Paradigm of Philosophy**’, Ladnun: Jain Vishva Bharati, 2008.

Books in Preparation:

-**Jain Philosophy, Science and Culture**, Co-edited by Prof. Samari Kanta Samanta, Ladnun: Jain Vishva Bharati Institute, 2014, pp. 2...

-**Essence of Jain Agam**, Co-edited byLadnun: Jain Vishva Bharati Institute, 2014, pp. ...

-**Jain Method of Teaching, Communication, Translation and Interpretation**, Co-edited byLadnun: Jain Vishva Bharati Institute, 2014, pp. 2...

Articles and Essays:

Over thirty articles and essays published in different course books, journals, souvenirs, and proceedings. The list of the most recent reviewed articles and essays includes:

-“Dhyānadvātrīṣikā me Dhyāna kā Svarūpa”, *Tulsī Prajñā*: Quarterly Journal, Ladnun: Jain Vishva Bharati Institute, Jan-March 1994, Year-19, Issue-4, pp. 345-352.

-“Dhyānadvātrīṣikā: eka Paricaya”, *Tulsī Prajñā*: Quarterly Journal, Ladnun: Jain Vishva Bharati Institute, Oct-Dec. 1994, Year-20, Issue-9, pp.197-202.

-“Bhagavatī me Sṛ ṣ ṭ i Tattva”, *Tulsī Prajñā*: Quarterly Journal, Ladnun: Jain Vishva Bharati Institute, April-June, 1995, Year-21, pp. 33-38.

- “Non-violence as an Antidote to Terrorism”, *Tulsī Prajñā*: Quarterly Journal, Ladnun: Jain Vishva Bharati Institute, 1990.
- “Wider Implications of the Concept of Mode”, *Proceedings of the Conference on the Buddhist Thought*, Delhi: ICPR, 2004.
- “Exploring Harmony in Religions: A Jain Perspective”, presented in a national seminar held on “Exploring Harmony in Indian Religions: in Ram Krishna Mission, Calcutta, Kolkata, 2005.
- “Contribution of Acharya Mahaprajna to Science”, *Proceedings of the Conference on the Acharya Mahaprajna kā Sanskrit Sāhitya ko Yogadāna*, Ladnun: JVBI, 2007.
- “Co-existential Non-absolutism as a New Paradigm of Philosophy”, *Proceedings of the Roundtable on the Role of Jainism in Evolving a New Paradigm of Philosophy in XXII World Congress of Philosophy*, Ladnun: JVB, 2008.
- “Ground of Non-violence”, *Path of Ahimsa*, Souvenir published from New Jersey (USA): JVB Center, October 2010
- “Creation in Jain Canonical Literature”, *Tulsī Prajñā*: Quarterly Journal, Ladnun: Jain Vishva Bharati, Year 37, Issue 148-149, July-December 2010, pp.
- “Mystical Elements in Jain Religion”, presented in an International Conference held on “Mysticism in Religions” at Jamiya Miliya Slamiya University, Delhi, 2011
- “Action Plan of Relative Economics”, presented in an international conference on “Fourth Dialogue on Relative Economics”, ICRE & SD, Jaipur, 2011
- “Role of Acharya Tulsī in Modernizing Jainism”, *Tulsī Prajñā*: A Peer Reviewed Research Quarterly, Jain Vishva Bharati Institute, Year 40, Issue 158-159, July-Dec. 2013, pp.234-242
- “Concept and Varieties of Samadhi”, *Yoga of Meditation and Critique of Karma Theory*, published from the department of Distance education (DDE), Ladnun: JVBI, 1998
- “Ten Impediments and Life-Style”, *Yoga of Meditation and Critique of Karma Theory*, published from DDE, Ladnun: JVBI, 1998
- “Objects of Meditation”, *Yoga of Meditation and Critique of Karma Theory*, published from DDE, Ladnun: JVBI, 1998.
- The Concept of Manahparyāya Knowledge with Special Reference to Telepathy, Tulsī Prajñā*, Vol- 107, 1999, pp. 135-141.
- “Nature of Karma, Cause of Bondage and Process of Liberation”, *Yoga of Meditation and Critique of Karma Theory*, published from DDE, Ladnun: JVBI, 2000
- “Divisions and Sub-divisions of Karma”, *Yoga of Meditation and Critique of Karma Theory*, published from DDE, Ladnun: JVBI, 1998
- “Materiality of Karma”, *Yoga of Meditation and Critique of Karma Theory*, published from DDE, Ladnun: JVBI, 1998
- “Bhagavatī: An Introduction”, *Jaina ġama*, published from DDE, Ladnun: JVBI, 1999
- “Doctrine of Sevenfold Predication: Nature and Types”, *Anekānt, Naya, Nikāpa and Syādvāda*, published from DDE, Ladnun: JVBI, 2000
- “Self-same and Non Self-same Nature of an Object”, *Anekānt, Naya, Nikāpa and Syādvāda*, published from DDE, Ladnun: JVBI, 2000
- “Origin and Development of Jain Logic”, *Jain Theory of Knowledge and Logic*, published from DDE, Ladnun: JVBI, 2001
- “Contribution of Jainism to the Development of Indian Logic”, *Jain Theory of Knowledge and Logic*, published from DDE, Ladnun: JVBI, 2001
- “Characteristics of Organ of Knowledge”, *Jain Theory of Knowledge and Logic*, published from DDE, Ladnun: JVBI, 2001

- “Theory of Sensory Perception”, *Jain Theory of Knowledge and Logic*, published from DDE, Ladnun: JVBI, 2001
- “Theory of Extra-sensory Perception”, *Jain Theory of Knowledge and Logic*, published from DDE, Ladnun: JVBI, 2001
- “Indirect Organ of Knowledge”, *Jain Theory of Knowledge and Logic*, published from DDE, Ladnun: JVBI, 2001
- “Object, Resultant and Subject in Logic”, *Jain Theory of Knowledge and Logic*, published from DDE, Ladnun: JVBI, 2001
- “Inference, Universal Concomitance and Probans”, *Jain Theory of Knowledge and Logic*, published from DDE, Ladnun: JVBI, 2001
- “Origin and Development of Anekant”, *Anekānt, Naya, Nikāṣepa and Syādvāda*, published from DDE, Ladnun: JVBI, 2001
- “Woman Empowerment”, *Empowerment of Woman: Annual Souvenir*, New Jersey, USA: Jain Vishva Bharati of North America, 2012
- “Science and Philosophy of Spirituality in Jainism”, *Yova Horizon: Quarterly Journal*, Terapanth Yuvak Parishad, 1st Issue - November 2012
- “Message of Bhagawan Mahavir (With Special Reference to his Past Life)”, *Jain Digest: International Jain Journal*, Federation of Jain Associations of America (JAINA), April 2013

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1. Samani Chaitanya Pragya, *Implication of the Concept of Mode*, Tulsī Prajñā, Vol – 118, 2002, pp. 125-130.
2. Samari Kanta Samanta, *On Samlekhana An Existentialist Perspective*, pp. 51-92