

ARATI DESHPANDE-MUKHERJEE

Name : ARATI DESHPANDE-MUKHERJEE

Designation : ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Date of Birth : 22-04-1966

Career Record

- ✓ 1995 to 2009- Scientific Assistant in Zooarchaeology, Deccan College, Pune
- ✓ 2009 to present : Assistant Professor in Zooarchaeology, Deccan College, Pune

Educational Qualifications:

- ✓ 1986 BSc Fergusson College, Pune. Pune University
- ✓ 1988 MA (AIHC & ARCHAEOLOGY) Deccan College Post Graduate and Research Institute, Pune University.
- ✓ 1996 Ph.D (Archaeology) Deccan College Post Graduate and Research Institute, Pune University.
- ✓ Ph.D Thesis: Application of Molluscan Studies in Archaeology with Special Reference to Western India.

Teaching experience: (no. of yeas) 14

M.A. dissertation completed: 7

Ph.D. Completed: 3

Research Experience: 21

Research Specialization: Archaeozoology, Archaeomalacology, Environmental Archaeology, South Asian Protohistory, Harappan archaeology, Ethnoarchaeology and coastal archaeology

Research projects/Archaeological Excavation/Explorations (Directed and co-directed):

1. 2001- 2003 joint participation in the archaeological explorations carried out by Dr. P.K. Thomas for locating ancient settlements along the River Godavari in the Aurangabad, Bid and Jalna districts of Maharashtra.
2. 2006-2008 carried out coastal investigations along the coast of Dwarka and , Bhavnagar coast for recording coastal sites, their geomorphological setting and evidence for past subsistence activities
3. 2009-2012 Archaeological investigations along the Somnath coast, district Prabhas patan, Gujarat.
4. 2013-14 carried out a small excavation at Somnath, district Prabhas patan, Gujarat.

Major Projects completed (Name, Funding agency, year):

No:	Name	Funding agency	year
1	Archaeological investigations along the Somnath coast, District Junagad, Gujarat.	Nehru Trust for the Indian collection at the Victoria and Albert Museum	2010-2011
2	An Archaeomalacological study of Marine shell artefacts from Early Historical Deccan.	University grants commission	2012-2015
3.	Excavation at Somnath, district Prabhas patan, Gujarat	University grants commission & Archaeological Survey of India	2014
4	Study of moluscan shell assemblage from Dholavira	Archaeological Survey of India	2014-15

Research collaboration: (Name, Institute, Project title, year)

Name	Institute	Project	Year
S.B.Ota	Nagpur Excavation branch of ASI	Animal remains from Chalcolithic settlement of Pipri	1996
S.P.Gupta	Indian Archeological Society New Delhi and the world Zarathushti Cultural Foundation	Shell remains from Sanjan	2002-2006
Late L.S.Rao	Nagpur Excavation branch of ASI	Animal bones from the Harappan site of Bhirrana in Harayan	2003-06-ongoing
P.K.Trivedi	Bhuvneshwar Excavation branch of ASI	Animal remains from Tarkanewala Dera (Harappan) and Chak 86(PGW) Rajasthan	2008
R.C..Chatopadhyya	University of Kolkata	Animal remains from the Chalcolithic site of Dihar, W.Bengal	2009- ongoing
Jitendra Nath	Vadodara excavation branch of ASI	Molluscan shell remains from the Harappan site of Khirsara	2009-
A. Sarkar	Dept of Geology , IIT Kharagpur, WB	Stable isotope analysis of bones & shells	2013-ongoing
V. Nautiyal	Garhwal university, Sri nagar, Uttarkhand	1.Shell beads from Lippa, Malari &Ropa,	2014

Studies abroad: (Name, Institute, work done, year)

Name	Institute	Work done	year
Three months UK visiting fellowship	University of Cambridge, UK	to undergo training in seasonality studies of molluscan shells	1999
	Groningen, Netherlands	to interact with archaeozoologist and studied the fish skeletal collections housed there.	1999
Colombo, Sri Lanka	workshop on Glimpses of Archaeology, Scientific Archaeology,		from 26 to 27 Jan 2009
	Arrhus & Havno, Denmark	Participation in the Mesolithic shell midden excavation at Havno in Denmark.at the Invitation of the Moesgard Museum, Arrhus, Denmark	August 2010

Honours/Awards/Scholarships awarded: (Name, year)

1990-1994 Junior Research Fellowship from ICHR (Indian Council for Historical Research) for doctoral research.

1999 awarded a Three month U.K. visiting fellowship to Cambridge from the Nehru Trust in collaboration with Victoria and Albert Museum and the Charles Wallace Trust.

2008 Foreign Travel Grant (FTG) from ICHR for attending the Second Meeting of the ICAZ Archaeomalacology Working Group at Santander in Spain between 19-22 February 2008.

2010-2011 small study research grant by the Nehru Trust for the Indian collections at the Victoria and Albert Museum, New Delhi for the *Archaeological investigations along the Somnath coast, District Junagad, Gujarat.*

2012-2015 Principal investigator in UGC Major Research Project Humanities in Archaeology An Archaeomalacological study of Marine shell artefacts from Early Historical Deccan.

2014 – Foreign Travel Grant (FTG) from ICHR for attending the 12th ICAZ conference at San Rafael, Argentina.

2015 a visiting UGC CAS fellow to dept of AIHC and Archaeology , Banares Hindu Univeristy , Varanasi

Special Lectures delivered:

India: 10

Abroad :2

Membership of Learned societies (Specify name of the societies)

- 1) Member of ICAZ International Council for Archaeozoology
- 2) Member of ICAZ Archaeomalacology working Group
- 3) Life member of ISPQS (Indian Society for Prehistoric and Quaternary studies)
- 4) Life Member of society for South Asian Archaeology (SOSA)
- 5) As a scientist collaborating with the KCHR Kerla Council for Historcial Research in the Pattanam Excavations
- 6) Executive Member of Society for Marine archaeology
- 7) Member of IAWAWSA (International Association of Women Archaeologists Working in South Asia)

Seminars/Conferences attended and papers presented (Please give nos)

National 31

International 15

Important positions held:

- 1) Served as a treasurer of ISPQS (2002-2010)
- 2) In-charge of Biological anthropology Laboratory (2009-2011)
- 3) Is a principle investigator in a UGC major research project in Humanities 2012-14.

- 4) In-charge of the Archaeozoology laboratory, Deccan College, Pune 2013 onwards
- 5) Elected as IC international committee member for the ICAZ 2014-18
- 6) Member of the Management council of the Kendriya Vidyalaya School, BEG. Pune.

Publications: (please give nos)

Books 0

Edited Volumes 1

Research Papers

National journals 51 -

International Journals 7 -