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Educational Qualifications:

- Ph.D. in Mass Communication (2016)
- Cleared National Eligibility Test (NET) conducted by University Grant Commission in 2013 and 2014.
- M.A. in Mass Communication (2005-2007) with Outstanding grade from Madras Christian College under Madras University.
- B.Sc. Microbiology (2002-2005) from SRM Arts and Science College, Tamil Nadu under Madras University

Academic Achievements and Activities:

- Acted as an *Esteemed Speaker and Resource person* at the *5th Northeast India Indigenous Women congregation* held on 26th March 2024 at Guwahati, Assam.
- Paper presented on “*Navigating the quagmire of fake news and misinformation in the digital Information age: Challenges and strategies*” at **National Conference** organized by department of Mass Communication, *Manipur University* on 20th March, 2024.
- Paper Presented on “**Unveiling Manipur: Explorations of Social Narratives Through Documentary Films and its making**” a two day (1st-2nd March 2024) *National Seminar 2024* on Northeast Culture, Literature, Language, and education: A multidisciplinary approach organized by Department of English and Cultural Studies in collaboration with IIE, Pune supported by ELTAI and Alumni Association department of English and Cultural Studies.
- Paper Presented on “*Tracing the threads of Tai Meitei Culture: Exploring relations and its historical Narrative*” a two day *National Seminar* held on 23rd-24th February, 2024 on the theme “Culture, Identity and Society in North east India” organized by Department of Sociology, Manipur University in Collaboration with SCSNEI, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

- Acted as **Resource person** in the two days' workshop on “**Gender Sensitization**” held from 30th December and 31st December under Department of Sociology, Naorem Birhari College, Khundrakpam (Imphal, Manipur) in collaboration with Women's Cell.
- Attended 5 days **Faculty Development Program on General Management and Research Methodology for Faculty Members of Higher Education Institutions of NER** from 08th May 2023 to 12th May 2023 at *IIM, Indian Institute of Management, Shillong (Meghalaya)*.
- **Peer reviewed** “*Locating Indigenous Meitei Feminist Counterspaces in Linthoi Chanu's Wari: The (fem) animist Prefiguration of Feminist Posthumanities*” for **Asian Ethnicity, Taylor and Francis, UK (2023)**
- Paper presented on “**Kaleidoscope of Memories: Mediated in war Documentaries and films**” in two days National Conference on Interdisciplinary Studies (ELCM) in collaboration with Department of English, N.G College, Imphal held on 23rd and 24th January 2023.
- Participated in two days **National Conference on “National Education Policy-2020: Opportunities and a way Forward** on 20th December and 21st December at Manipur University jointly organized by MUC, DMU, Dir of HE, Vidya Bharati Ucca Shikshya Sansthan, Manipur Chapter.
- Attended the inauguration of *Audio-visual archives* on 23rd December, 2023 followed by screening and interaction with eminent Filmmaker **Aribam Syam Sharma**.
- Attended in **THE LISTENER, Festival of Orality** (6th to 9th February, 2023) organized by IMASI in collaboration with UNESCO, Indiana University, Sangeet Natak Akademi.
- **Conducted a two-day Workshop on “Culture of Peace in Manipur”** organized under department of Culture Studies and peace initiatives of Northeast (PINE), Manipur and Nagaland on 28 and 29 November, 2022.
- Acted as **Resource person** for 5 days from 29th September 2021 to 3rd October 2021 for Online **Students Exchange programme** in collaboration with Institute of International relations, **KEIO University, Tokyo, Japan and Manipur University of Culture**.
- Acted as **Screening Committee** for the selections of students for participating in the **Northeast Zone Youth Festival 2022-23** under AIU Banner Representing MUC.
- Acted as **Resource Person** in the Workshop entitled “**Development of culture specific learning resources for secondary school students**” from 27th August to 31st, 2018 held at *Northeast Regional Institute of Education, NCERT, Meghalaya*.
- As a **Panelist for the Project Cultures of peace-festival** of the Northeast (2021) for online session “**New ways of telling: Ecology and Expression in Northeast India** held on 21st October 2021.
- Participated in a three-day **Meitei mayek appreciation course** from 20 to 22, December, 2018 at Government Dance college, organized by Manipuri department, Manipur University of Culture.
- Presented a paper titled “**The relationship between Culture and Communication: Dialogues and discourses in the rituals of Lai-Haraoba**” in a two day *International conference* on culture and human development on February 1 and 2nd, 2019 organized by R.K Sanatombi college of Education, Imphal.
- Participated in the one-day workshop on **Examination: Conduct, Question Setting, Evaluation**

etc on 14th January 2017 at Conference Hall, Directorate of Art and culture, Imphal east.

- Presented a paper titled **“The game of polo in Manipur: its glorious past and present Perils in the state”** at the 3-day *Manipur International symposium* on dance and music held at Centenary Hall, Manipur University organized by ICCR, Regional Office, Shillong held on 28th march to 30th march in collaboration with Department of Dance and music, Manipur University and Manipur University of Culture.
- Participated and supervise students for an **interaction with Hon’ble minister of external affairs** with students and Faculties from other institutes /Universities in Manipur on 26th November 2022.
- Participated in one day workshop on **“Implementation of National Education Policy-2020: Challenges and way forward”** on 23rd December 2022 organized by MUC, Imphal.
- Attended **SEWA PAKHWADA** academic discourse on **Hon’ble Prime Minister vision on Act east policy and role of MUC in cultural Connectivity with Southeast Asia**. On 28th Sept 2022 at Palace compound, Imphal.
- **Took the role of Head in Charge**, Department of Culture Studies from the period of December 2019 to 13th March 2024.

Research Experience:

- Ph.D. worked on the thesis entitled **“The Changing Status of Radio Broadcasting in India: A Study on Select Northeastern Radio Stations of India”** in the Department of Mass Communication under the supervision of Dr. Ganesh Sethi, Assistant Professor, Manipur University.
- M.Phil. Dissertation on the title **“To Study the Life of a Maibi: Reflections in the Film Ishanou”**.
- M.A. Dissertation on the title **“To Study the film of Aribam Shyam Sharma and his ventures on Manipuri Films”**.

NATIONAL PAPER PRESENTATION IN SEMINAR AND CONFERENCES:

- Paper presented on **“Customary tribal laws and status of tribal woman in North east India: Insights and Implications”** On a two day ICSSR, New Delhi Sponsored National Seminar held at Manipur University organized by Centre for study of social exclusion and Inclusive policy, Manipur University.
- Paper presented on **“The Existence and essence of traditional media (Theatre) in the form of Lai Haraoba rituals of Manipur”** on two-day ICSSR, New Delhi sponsored National seminar held at Manipur University on 20th & 21st October 2014 organized by Centre for Manipur Studies.
- Paper presented on **“Media’s representation of the Northeast: An overview”** in the seminar held at Tripura University on August 22nd & 23rd 2014 sponsored by UGC.
- Paper presented on **“Radio as medium of teaching and learning languages”** at NIT (National Institute of Technology) Shillong in two days **National Workshop** held on 18th & 19th July 2014.

INTERNATIONAL PAPER PRESENTATION IN SEMINAR AND CONFERENCES:

- Paper presented on **“the paradigm shifts of all India radio from the age of broadcasting to narrow casting”** conducted by American University Dubai in collaboration with Asian Media Information and Communication, Singapore held on 10th June to 13th June 2015.
- Paper presented on **“Fair is not always lovely: Fairness cream advertisements on Indian women,its portrayal and impact”** conducted by Gossaingaon College in collaboration with ICSSR held on 4-6th February 2015.
- Paper presented on **“Social media the new change maker and harbinger of peace in the world: Its process and proliferations”** conducted by Rajiv Gandhi University in collaboration with Eastern Sentinel on 9th and 10th October 2014.
- Paper presented on **“The Trends and impact of Indian reality shows in the context of globalization”** at Bodoland University, Kokrajhar (Assam) in October 2013.
- Paper presented on **“Empowering women through alternative media”** at Royal Thimpu College, Bhutan in October 2012.

JOURNAL and BOOK PUBLICATIONS

- Published **“Empowering Women to Alternative Media”** 2020 edited Ksh Chitrabhanu, Sukhdeva Sharma Hanjabam, Sadam Hanjabam, Aheibam Koireng in *Media in Manipur*: Volume II, holding ISBN: 978-81-8370-576-9 Published by Akansha publishing House, New Delhi-22, India.
- Published **“Fair is not always lovely: Fairness cream advertisements on Indian Women, its portrayal and Impact”** edited by Dr. Dinesh Das in Chinaky- a Research Journal on Humanities and Social Science: A bi-annual Referred Journal indexed by Ulrich’s Directory, U.S.A holding ISSN: 2349- 0500 under Department of Economics, Gossaingaon College, Kokrajhar, Assam, India.
- Published **“Life of Maibi : Reflections in the film Ishanou “** in a book entitled **“Aesthetics and Culture: Performing Arts “** edited by Dr. M.S. Siva Raju, Pukhrambam Lilabati Devi with ISBN 978-93-82395-83-6 under Ruby Press and Co Publisher, New Delhi.
- Published **“The voice of the voiceless: Community Radio and its paradigm”** in an international journal: Modern research studies on September 22nd, 2014, with ISSN NO. 2349-2147.
- Published **“Social media and its impact on Indian society”** in a National Journal **“Communication Today”** in the April 2014 issue with ISSN 0975-217X.
- Published **“The Existence and essence of traditional media (Theatre) in the form of Lai Haraoba rituals of Manipur”** in a ICSSR Sponsored National seminar proceedings of knowing Manipur from endogenous perspective with ISBN No. 978-93-83201-10-5 on 20th October 2014.

NEWSPAPER PUBLICATIONS:

- Published an article on “The pursuit of happiness in the land of the thunder dragon” in Sikkim Observer, Gangtok (Sikkim).
- Wrote various articles in Manipur local English dailies. Among them “The Age of Information Overload”, “The failed mission of zero garbage campaign” can be cited.
- Cheng (rice) of Manipur is a Journal and Documentary on the journey across one of India’s most remote regions reveals a wealth of biodiversity as the story contributes to reawakened food initiatives published at the LEXICON, US.

SELECTIONS, AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

- “**ANDRO DREAMS**” became the first Feature Length Manipuri Documentary film made by a woman from Manipur to be the opening film of Indian Panorama at International Film Festival of India, IFFI 2023 under *Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India*.
- “**Andro Dreams**” has so far won best Documentary award and has been selected in Competition Section at various National and International Film festivals across the world.
- Served as a lone **Jury member** from Manipur becoming the **State’s first Woman to be on India’s National Award** selection committee. Having received the award, myself for the year 2015, I was invited by the *Union Ministry of Information and Broadcasting*.
- Scripted and produced National and International award-winning documentary titled “**AUTODRIVER**” Which has got wide National and International selection in film festivals.
- Selected as **Youth Exchange fellow 2019** by **Mayor for Peace, Hiroshima** for an *Intensive Summer Program at Hiroshima University, Japan*.
- Translated **Seven folk tales of Manipur** published as a comic book series by NE Bros Entertainment Pvt Ltd.
- Conferred **Best Audience choice award** for the documentary film “Autodriver” by Women’sVoices Now an Online women film Festival based in California in May 2017.
- Won **best short film award** for “Echo” at Peace Builders international Women’s Film Festival 2016, New Delhi.
- Invited as a **Regular speaker at Global Shapers**, a young dynamic forum for youth under World Economic Forum.
- Invited as **Eminent Speaker** for a conclave meet in 2016 at *IIM, Shillong*.
- Been invited and honored at 3rd Annual Convention Organized *under ministry of Commerce and industries and international chamber* for service industry on 23rd February 2018.

- Invited as **Motivational Speaker** on the Theme “Shaping I” by Global Shapers Community, Imphal Hub an extended branch of *World Economic Forum*.
- Served as **Rapporteur** in the Seminar titled “A Literary Talk on “People and Books” on 12th June 2017 *Sahitya Akademi* Sponsored Programme at Manipur University of Culture.
- Served as **Rapporteur** in the Symposium titled “the reflection of Manipuri culture in contemporary Manipuri literature” on 2nd September 2017 a *Sahitya Akademi* Sponsored Programme at Manipur University of Culture.
- The film “Autodriver” was selected at *Difficult Dialogues 2016, Goa* in collaboration to **London School of Economics**.
- Bagged “**Young Achievers Award 2016**” in Documentary Film Direction conferred by brand ambassador **MC Mary Kom** of Dalmia Bharat groups, India.
- Won the **Jury special mention award** for the Documentary Film “AUTODRIVER” at *woodpecker International film festival 2016*.
- Won the **special mention jury award** for the Documentary Film “AUTODRIVER” at SIGNS FEST 2015, Kerala.
- **AUTODRIVER** won three state film awards under the category: Best Debut Director, Best Cinematography and Best Editor at Manipur state film awards 2017-2018.
- The Documentary film “AUTODRIVER” has been officially selected in competition section in more than 30 National and International film festivals.
- As **paper presenter for Asian Media Information and Communication 24th** International conference communicating in an E-Asia: Values, technologies, and challenges to be held on 10th to 13th June 2015 at Dubai, UAE in collaboration with **American University**.
- As a **participant for an intensive documentary project development workshop** conducted by Doc Edge, Documentary Resource Initiative Kolkata and MFDC Manipur 2014.
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- Won an essay competition on the title “**the role, responsibility and ethics of media in our society**” organized by Voice of the hills publications group, Churachandpur district, Manipur **2014**.

- **As Media Analyst (Research Associate)** in a project entitled “Eikhoi: A design initiative for a transformative community system” by IIT (Indian Institute of Technology) Indore sponsored by ICSSR.

OTHER ACADEMIC WORKSHOPS AND EXPERIENCES:

- Attended a two weeks ICSSR, New Delhi sponsored Workshop on “**Capacity Building Programme for Social Sciences Faculty Members**” from 22nd May 2017 to 3rd June, 2017 under department of Management, Mizoram University.
- Attended a two day Nikon School Photography workshop on “Basic DSLR” on 9th and 10th February 2015 organized by Nikon School, Guwahati at Imphal, Manipur.
- Attended four days (30th - 2nd February 2015) Workshop on “**Statistical Methods and Applications**” conducted by **Indian statistical institute**, Northeast Centre, Tezpur, Assam in collaboration with Department of statistics, Manipur university.
- Attended a **South Asia summit held in American Centre, New Delhi** on “Social Media for Digital Empowerment” in September 2013.
- Attended a workshop “**Peace Counts on Tour-How to be a Peace builder**” held at Manipur University on 11th & 12th November 2013 organised by Bergh of Foundation Germany.
- Attended a workshop on **Peace Research Methodology course** conducted by Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies (CPCS) base in Cambodia and Centre for Manipur Studies (CMS), Manipur University and change and peace building action (CPA) based in Manipur in May 2012.
- Assisted Department of Mass Communication, Manipur University in teaching and delivering various topics on **Mass media, its laws and ethics** from 2011 to 2015.
- Interacted with **eminent media personal Mark Magnier of Los Angeles Times** on various social and media related issues in 2011 at Manipur University.

