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ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

- Doctor of Philosophy (PhD, 2007): McGill University, Montreal, Canada
- Master of Philosophy (MPhil): Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
- Master of Arts (MA): Department of Sociology, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi
- PG Diploma in Journalism: Bhartiya Vidya Bhavan, New Delhi
- Bachelor of Arts (BA): History (Hons.) University of Delhi, New Delhi
- Intermediate (10+2) Science College, Patna (Bihar)
- 10th (ICSE) St-Xavier's School, Sahebganj (Jharkhand)

WORK EXPERIENCES

- Associate Professor (2022- till date) Indian Institute of Technology Patna
- Assistant Professor (2010- 2021) Indian Institute of Technology Patna
- Postdoctoral Associate (2007-2010): University of British Columbia, Vancouver
- Research and Teaching Assistant (2002-2007): McGill University, Montreal
- Lecturer (2001-2002): Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi

SCHOLARSHIP AND AWARDS

- M. N. Srinivas Memorial Prize 2013 for best publication by a Sociologist or Social Anthropologist in the year, Indian Sociological Society
- Social Science and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) Postdoctoral Fellowship (Availed at University of British Columbia) 2007-2009
- **Commonwealth Scholarship** (2002-2006) for PhD (Availed at McGill University)
- University Grants Commission (National Eligibility Test) December 1998: Sociology

SPONSERED PROJECTS

- 1) Educational Intervention for Development in Bihar, India (Principal Investigator) Scheme for Promotion of Academic and Research Collaboration (National Coordinator- Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur) (2023-2025)
- 2) Community Education and the Role of “Star” Networks (Principal Investigator) Indian Council of Social Science Research (2023-25)
- 3) Work, Efficiency, and Effectiveness of Women Police Personnel in Bihar (Co-PI) National Commission for Women, New Delhi (2022-23)

- 4) College Readiness and Student Success in Higher Education in India (Principal Investigator) Coordinated by National Institute of Education Planning and Administration, New Delhi, 2002-2004)
- 5) Waste Management Training to Reduce Health Hazards of Solid Wastes in Patna (Co-PI and education specialist, funded by the Centre for Energy and Environment, IIT Patna) 2014-2016
- 6) A Concurrent Study of MGNREGA implementation in Bihar (PI: Funded by the- Department of Rural Development, Government of India) 2011-2014
- 7) Knowledge Community on Children in India (KCCI) Internship Program (Co-PI and research advisor: funded by UNICEF Office of Bihar) 2010

REPRESENTATIVE PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS and MANUSCRIPTS:

Aditya Raj (2023) *Indian Diaspora Studies: A Reader* (ISBN 978-93-91844-49-3) Serials Publications, New Delhi

Aditya Raj (2023) *Multicultural Education and Indian Diaspora in Canada* (ISBN 978-993-94569-59-1) Mittal Publications, New Delhi

Papia Raj & Aditya Raj (2023, co-authored) *Discard Studies in India: A Case of Patna* (ISBN 978-93-5722-277-8) Kalpaz Publications, New Delhi

JOURNAL ARTICLES

Aditya Raj & Papia Raj (2023) “For a better health seeking behaviour in Bihar, India” *Global Dialogue* (International Sociological Association) Vol. 13 (1)

Aditya Raj & Shamsher Alam (2022) “Addressing Witch-hunting Through Education: Explorations Among a Tribal Community” *Indian Anthropologist* (Indian Anthropological Association) Vol.51 (1&2)

Puja Krishna & **Aditya Raj** (2022) “Health condition of internal migrants in India: A review” *Indian Journal of Human Development* Vol.16 (1)169-180

Madhu Gohain & **Aditya Raj** (2023), Left - behind Childrens of Migrants in Jawahar Navodaya vidyalaya - Evidenced - based study from Bihar, India, **Exploration: E-Journal of Indian Sociological Society**. Vol. 7 (1)

Aditya Raj & Madhu Gohain (2020) "Mapping the terrain of child migration and boarding school education in India" *Journal of the Social Sciences*, 48 (3) 2380-2391

Aditya Raj & Kundan Kumar (2019) A case for the study of Bihari Diaspora", *Migration and Diasporas: An Interdisciplinary Journal*. Vol. 2(2) 82-114

Aditya Raj (2018) "In-DIA-Spora: Context and Critique" *The Eastern Anthropologist*, Vol. 71(3-4) 263-280

Aditya Raj (2018) "Immigration and Integration Policy and the formation of Indian Diaspora in Canada" *South Asian Anthropologist*, Volume 18 (1) 1-9

Aditya Raj & Rashmi (2018) "Analyzing Teacher Education Curriculum in India: Problems & Prospects" *International Journal of Multidisciplinary Research and Development*, Vol. 6 (7) 114-119

Aditya Raj & Papia Raj (2018) "The glocal paradox: waste production in Patna" (163-182) IN Verma, M K., *Globalisation, Environment, and Social Justice: Perspectives, Issues, and Concerns*. London & New York: Routledge

T P Kumar & **Aditya Raj** (2018) "Contextualizing Youth Studies in Contemporary India", *Indian Journal of Development Research and Social Action*, Volume 14 (1) 159-170

Aditya Raj & T P Kumar (2018) "Aspiration and Experiences of Youth in Patna" *Sociology Today*, 2(1)

Aditya Raj (2017) "Democracy and Social Justice in Bihar: A Bird's Eye View" *Contemporary Social Science* Volume 26 (4) 63-70

Aditya Raj & K V Nayak (2017) "Scheduled Tribe Youth in India and Their Institutions: A Study of Dhumkuria" *Journal of Exclusion Studies*, Vol. 7 (2) 212-225

Shamsher Alam & **Aditya Raj** (2017) "Academic Journey of Witchcraft studies in India" *Man in India*, Vol. 97 (21) 123-138

Aditya Raj & Papia Raj (2015) "An Analysis of Waste Production in Patna" *International Sociological Association e Symposium for Sociology*, Vol 5 (2)1-13

Pooja & Aditya Raj (2015) "Textualized realities of Dalit girl child in India: Unraveling Bama's 'Sangati'", in Prasad, R and S. Rehana (eds.) *Child Studies: Children in English Literature*, Rajesh Publications: New Delhi, 168-177

Pooja & **Aditya Raj** (2015) "Representation of Indian Women in Select Indian Diasporic Literature", *Global Research Forum on Diaspora and Transnationalism*, 4-13

Papia Raj & **Aditya Raj** (2014) "Utilization of Maternal Health Care Services in Bihar" **Research Process**, Vol.2 (2) 3-11

Aditya Raj (2013) "The Indian Diaspora in North America: The Role of Networks and Associations", *Diaspora Studies* Vol. 5 (2)107-123

Papia Raj & **Aditya Raj** (2013) "Learning to Serve: An analysis of English Language Training in Call Centres of India", *Language and Language Teaching* Vol. 2 (2) 8-11

Manish Kumar & **Aditya Raj** (2013) "Development in Bihar: Predicaments and Prospects of Health Indices" *Journal of Health Management Research* Vol. 15 (3) 415-430

Aditya Raj & Pooja (2012) "Women in Dalit Literature: Voice, Agency, and Subjectivity" *Journal of Exclusion Studies* Vol. 2 (1) 55-62

Aditya Raj (2011) "Diaspora Inquiry: Search for a Method", *International Migration and Diaspora Studies*, Jawaharlal Nehru University No. 30: 49-59

Aditya Raj (2007) "Bollywood Cinema and Indian Diaspora" (332-339) IN *Media Literacy: A Reader* edited by Donalddo Macedo and Shirley Steinberg New York: Peter Lang

Aditya Raj (2006) "Globalization from Below and the Global Indian Diaspora" (98-116) IN *Sociology of Globalization: Perspectives from India* (2006) edited by S. Somayaji and G. Somayaji New Delhi & Jaipur: Rawat Publishers

Aditya Raj (2006) "Transnational Ethnography" International Bibliography of Social Sciences (CSA) (Database: Sociological Abstracts; Source: *International Sociological Association Conference*, Durban, South Africa)

Aditya Raj (2006) "Editorial Note: Bridging Research and Practice" *Research and Practice in Social Sciences*, 2006, Vol.1 (2): 96-97

Papia Raj & **Aditya Raj** (2004) "Caste Variation in Reproductive Health of Women in Eastern Region of India: A Study Based on NFHS Data" *Sociological Bulletin* Vol. 53 (3): 326-346

Aditya Raj & Papia Raj (2004) "Linguistic Deculturation and the Importance of Popular Education among the Gonds in India" *Adult Education and Development* Vol.62: 55-61

Aditya Raj "Multiculturalism and Ethnic Groups: Indian Diaspora in Canada" Dialogue Quarterly 2002, Vol 4. (1) 181-189

RECENT PUBLICATIOSENS FOR PUBLIC OUTREACH

Aditya Raj and Papia Raj, Youth are the fulcrum of development in Bihar, **Times of India**, Patna (Page- Education is Power) July, 26, 2022

Papia Raj and **Aditya Raj**, Gender and development are closely intertwined in Bihar, **Times of India**, Patna (Page- Education is Power) June, 24, 2022

Aditya Raj & Papia Raj, Network Stars in Community Education: A Study from Bihar, *Mainstream*, Vol. LX. No. 25, New Delhi, June 11, 2022

Aditya Raj & Papia Raj, Bihar's need of the hour: focus on detailed migration studies, **Times of India**, Patna (Page-Education is Power) June, 10, 2022

Aditya Raj and Shamsheer Alam, Witch-hunting in India, *Seminar*, No. 755, July 2022

Papia Raj & **Aditya Raj**, Towards Creating a Parallel Pandemic Due to Mismanagement of Wastes in Patna, *Mainstream*, Vol. LIX. No. 32, New Delhi, July 24, 2021

Madhu Gohain & **Aditya Raj**, Plight of Children of Migrants During Covid 19 Pandemic, *CounterCurrents*, July 22, 2020

Chhaya Rana & **Aditya Raj**, Forgotten Migrants Children and their Education During Pandemic, *Global Research Forum on Diaspora and Transnationalism*, Summer 2021

SELECTED BOOK-REVIEWS

Aditya Raj "Philanthropy in India: Promise to Practice", *Sociological Bulletin*, Volume 67, Issue 1 (April 2018) 137-139

Aditya Raj "Security in Global Health: Towards the Medicalization of Insecurity" Elbe, Stefan. *International Sociology Review of Books*, Vol. 27, No. 5 (Sept. 2012)

Aditya Raj "Emergent Literacy and Language Development: Promoting Learning in Early Childhood" (Ed.) Rhyner, Paula. M. *Language and Language Teaching*, Vol. 1 (No. 1) 2012

Aditya Raj "The World in a City" (Eds.) Paul Anisef and Michael Lanphier *The Canadian Review of Sociology and Anthropology* Vol. 41 (1) 2004

Aditya Raj "Cultural Studies and Education: Perspectives on Theory, Methodology and Practice" (Eds.) by Ruben A. Gaztambide-Fernandez et al *Teacher's College Record* Vol.106 (8) 2004

Aditya Raj "Gender and U.S. Immigration: Contemporary Trends" (Ed.) by Pierrette Hondagneu-Sotelo *Gender, Work and Organization* Vol. 11 (5) 2004

Aditya Raj "Theorizing Diaspora: A Reader" (Eds.) by J.E. Braziel and A. Mannur *McGill Journal of Education* Vol. 39 (2) 2004

Aditya Raj "Development Hegemony: NGOs and the State in India" by Sangeeta Kamat *Comparative Education Review* Vol. 48 (1) 2004

Aditya Raj "State, Development and Identity in South Asia: A Search for Alternate Paradigm" by Vasum and Louis (ed.) *Social Action* April-June 2003

Aditya Raj "Work, Democracy and Development: Socio-psychological Monitoring of Organizations and Programmes" by Prayag Mehta *Sociological Bulletin* Vol. 51(2) 2002

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS & INVITED LECTURES

Aditya Raj (2023) "Indian Migrants in India and Abroad" Session (peer-reviewed) organizer and chair, XX ISA World Congress of Sociology, International Sociological Association, June 25- July 1, 2023, Melbourne, Australia

Aditya Raj (2023) "Promises of India's New Education Policy 2020" XX ISA World Congress of Sociology, International Sociological Association, June 25- July 1, 2023, Melbourne, Australia

Aditya Raj (2023) "Network Analysis and Computational Modelling in Sociology" XX ISA World Congress of Sociology, International Sociological Association, June 25- July 1, 2023, Melbourne, Australia

Aditya Raj (2022) "Empty Nest: India and its migrants" 47th All Indian Sociological Conference, Indian Sociological Society, December 20-22, 2022, University of Science & Technology Meghalaya

Aditya Raj (2022) Invited Moderator for session on "Tapping diasporas resources: A new development strategy" International Webinar- *Turbulence and Resilience: exploring diasporas spaces*, Centre for Diaspora Studies, Trivandrum

Aditya Raj Invited Session Chair in RC 4 (Indian Sociological Society) *46th All India Sociological Conference*, 2021

Aditya Raj (2021) Moderator and Host of "*Contemporary Development Debates*" in an Indian Council of Social Sciences Research (ICSSR) funded lecture series, Indian Institute of Technology Patna, 2021

Aditya Raj (2021) "India and her "internal" diaspora" National Webinar *Evolving diasporas: Challenges and Prospects*, University of Kerala, 2021

Aditya Raj (2021) Moderator of E-symposium *Health Education: Need of the Hour* Indian Institute of Technology Patna, 2021

Aditya Raj "Role of education in maternal healthcare utilisation in Eastern India: An Analysis based on NFHS 4" *M.S. Gore Centenary Conference on Exploring Grassroots Governance in India*, TISS, 2021

Aditya Raj "The inter-state migrant workers in Kerala" *46th All India Sociological Conference*, 2021

Aditya Raj “Health condition of internal migrants in India” *46th All India Sociological Conference*, 2021

Invited lecture “Developing New Academic Model Post COVID Pandemic vis-à-vis Issues of Adaptability, Efficiency, Inclusivity, Opportunity and Universalism” *Role of E-Learning during Lockdown: Academic Challenges and the Road Ahead*, 2020

“ Role of education for human development in Bihar” (Panel discussion) *Bihar Sociological Association Conference*, 2020

“ The invisible child migrants” RC 4 (Indian sociological society) *Migration and Diaspora Studies Conference*, 2020

Invited lecture “Dissemination of health Education through technology” CEP course on *Health Informatics*, Indian Institute of Technology Patna, 2020

“Developing Bihar: contextualizing the importance of community education” *53rd Annual Canadian Sociological Association (CSA) Conference*, University of British Columbia, 3-6 June 2019

“The concurrent politics of healthcare in India” *Canadian Association for the Studies of International Development (CASID)* University of British Columbia, 5-7 June 2019

“Community based education for gender empowerment in Bihar” Exploring links between empowerment and health, A N Sinha Institute of Social Studies, Patna (organized by *School of Medicine, University of Nottingham, UK*) 2018

Reflections on emerging education in India: A case study of IIT, *44th All India Sociological Conference*, Mysore, 27-29 December 2018

Invited Panelist “International Migration, Indian Diaspora and Development”, *44th All Indian Sociological Conference*, Mysore, 27-29 December 2018

Invited lecture “Behavioral changes for waste management” GIAN (Global Initiative of Academic Networks) course titled *Waste Management and Health Care*, IIT Patna, 3-8 December 2018

Panel Discussion “*Gandhian Epistemology an Social Science Research*” IIT Patna, 10 October 2018

"Politics of Healthcare and the Imperatives for Social Change in India" *Asian Studies Association, India Habitat Center- Ashoka University*, New Delhi, 5-8 July 2018

Shamsher Alam & **Aditya Raj** "Witchcraft and Witch hunting in India: An Assessment" National Convention on Emerging Challenges of Violence Against Women, *Odisha State Commission for Women* 23-24 February 2018

"Exploring New Grounds of Studying Bihar" Discussant at Darbhanga House, Patna University, hosted by *Tata Institute of Social Science Research*, February 27, 2017

"Knowing in contemporary society: engagement with public and theories" *42nd All Indian Sociological Conference, Department of Sociology, Tezpur University* 27-30 Dec, 2016

"A Study of Different Public Policies for Rural Development" 2nd International Conference on *Contemporary debates in Public Policy and Management, Indian Institute of Management* Kolkata, 15-17 January, 2016

"Education of Indian Diasporic Youth in Canada" *40nd All Indian Sociological Conference, Department of Sociology, Mahatma Gandhi Kashi Vidyapeeth*, Varanasi, 9-30 Nov-1 Dec, 2014

Youth: Lifestyles, Vulnerabilities, and Education, Sociology of Youth, *World Congress of Sociology*, July 13-19, 2014, Yokohama, Japan (accepted, with Dr. Papia Raj)

Indian Sociology- Future Trends, Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) sponsored Book-release and National Conference, *Jawaharlal Nehru University*, New Delhi, February 2014

"Education of Indian Diasporic Youth in Canada", All India Sociological Conference, Mahatma Gandhi Kashi Vidyapith, Varanasi, 29th Nov-1st Dec, 2014

"Workshop on Issues in Solid Waste Management in Patna, Indian Institute of Technology, Patna, 11th October, 2014

"Youth: Lifestyles, Vulnerabilities, and Education", Sociology of Youth, World Congress of Sociology, July 13-19, 2014, Yokohama, Japan (with Dr. Papia Raj)

"Critical Foundations of Migration and Diaspora Studies" *All India Sociological Conference, Karnataka Open State University, Mysore, December 2013*

"Contemporary Development Discourse in India" **Canadian Sociological Association Conference, University of Victoria May 2013**

"MGNREGA Implementation in Bihar: Problems and Perspectives" **Indian Institute of Management Kolkata, February 2013**

"Implementation of MGNREGA in Bihar and its effects on Rural Migration", **All India Sociological Conference, JNU Delhi 2011**

SELECT OTHER ACADEMIC INVOLVEMENT

- 1) Teaching a session on "Indian diaspora's homeland engagement" Online course "*International Migration from India and Indian Diaspora*, TISS Patna (10th February, 2022)

- 2) Course coordinator of CEP short term course “Principles and Practices in Social Research” (May 2019) Indian Institute of Technology Patna
- 3) **IMPRINT** (Impacting Research Innovation and Technology, MHRD Initiative, coordinated by IIT Kharagpur) Theme Coordinator: Health Literacy
- 4) Course coordinator for Global Initiative of Academic Networks (GIAN) course on Contemporary Youth Studies, 2016 (funded-Ministry of Human Development, Government of India)
- 5) Institute Nobel Prize Lecture Series- Nobel Peace Prize Winner- lecture in 2016 and 2017

SELECT ACADEMIC SERVICES

External thesis examiner of PhD thesis from HSS, IIT Guwahati, JNU, New Delhi, IIPS< Mumbai, and others

Editor, Newsletter of RC 31 (Sociology of Migration) International Sociological Association (Fall 2002- onwards)

*External member of Doctoral Committee for two students (2020-)- **National Institute of Technology Patna***

*Member, Editor (2021-)- **Indenture Papers: Studies on Girmitiyas***

*Member, Editorial Advisory Board (2021-)- **Explore: Journal of Research***

*Member, Editorial Board (2020-)- **Journal of Social and Economic Studies***

*Member, Editorial Board (2013-)- **International Journal of Critical Pedagogy***

*Invited Guest Editor (2018) - **Environmental Health Insights***

*Article Reviewer (2021-)- **SAGE Open***

*Book Proposal Reviewer (2021-)- **Routledge***

*Member, Managing Committee (2017-)- **Bihar Sociological Society***

Book Series Editor “Diasporic Peoples” New York: Peter Lang

Reviewer “Critical Youth Studies: A Reader” New York: Peter Lang

Select Interns at IIT Patna: Vijaya Gonugade (2020), Raju Gupta (2014)

CAI Huafen (M.Ed Thesis 2010)- Second Reader (Examiner)

Thesis: *Bilingual Education: The Way to Equity and justice in Multicultural Context*
University of British Columbia, Vancouver

Member - Professional Bodies:

Indian Sociological Society (2001-Life member)

Canadian Sociological Association (2003-)

American Sociological Association (2003-)

International Sociological Association (2004-)

Comparative and International Education (2015-)

Indian Social Science Academy (2018-)

Canadian Association for the study of International Development (2019-)

COURSES TAUGHT

IIT Patna:

HS231 Introductory Sociology (2010- onwards)

HS331 Sociology of Development (2011-onwards)

HS531 Science, Technology, and Society (2018-onwards)

HS712 English for Research Skills (2010)

HS731 Social Research Design and Practice (2011-onwards)

HS732 Sociology of Education (2011-onwards)

HS734 Theories of Knowing in Contemporary Society (2016-onwards)

Recognition: Always good student feedback for all courses and twice- best teacher in HSS

University of British Columbia, Vancouver (2007-2010):

CCFI502 Theorizing Knowing in Education

EDUC500 Research Methodology in Education

McGill University, Montreal (2002-2007):

EDER649 Multicultural Societies

EDES366: Literature for Young Adults

EDEC410/ EDER464 Multicultural/Intercultural Education

Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi (2001-2002):

BA (III) Industrial Sociology

MA (I) Organization, Labor, and Management

GRADUATE STUDENT SUPERVISION

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS		
Ms Isabel Salovaara	Fulbright Fellow to IIT Patna Department of Anthropology, Stanford University	PhD Candidate
Mr Elijah Dalton	Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute Fellow University of Guelph, Canada	Post-Graduation (18-20)
FORMER STUDENTS		

Dr. Pooja	Asst. Professor, Gautam Buddha Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Magadh University	DEGREE AWARDED-2016
Dr. Manish Kumar	Country Head-India, Innovators in Health	DEGREE AWARDED-2017
Dr. Shamsheer Alam	Asst. Professor, Central University of Jharkhand, Ranchi	DEGREE AWARDED-2021
Dr Thakur Prem Kumar	Asst. Professor, Lovely Professional University, Phagwara, Punjab	DEGREE AWARDED-2021
Dr Madhu Monjuri Gohain	Assam Global University, Guwahati	DEGREE AWARDED 2023

CURRENT STUDENTS

Ms Rashmi	Post-Graduation (Patna University); UGC-JRF-now- Employed and Part-time (Asst. Professor, DIET, Muzaffarpur, Bihar)	Writing thesis
Mr Bijoy Bhattacharjee	Post-Graduation (Indian Institute of Population Studies, Mumbai); UGC- JRF, Regular and Fulltime	Intermediary
Ms Anushka Sinha	Post-Graduation (Jawaharlal Nehru Universty, New Delhi); Institute Fellow, Regular and Fulltime	Coursework
Ms Shubham Kumar	Post-Graduation (Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati); Institute Fellow, Regular and Fulltime	Coursework

OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

- Member, Library Committee, IIT Patna 2021- 2023 & 2010-2016
- Member, Cultural Committee, IIT Patna 2021- 2023
- Member, Institute Medical Committee, IIT Patna 2010-2014
- Member, PhD ordinance Committee, IIT Patna 2010
- Member, Framing rules for Comprehensive Exam, IIT Patna 2011
- Member, Institute website Committee, IIT Patna 2010-2011
- Professor-in-charge, *Anwasha*, IIT Patna 2011
- Member, Research Scholar's International Funding, IIT Patna 2010
- Member, Synopsis & Thesis Manual, IIT Patna 2011
- Chairman Sports, IIT Patna 2016-2017
- Coordinator, *Unnat Bharat Abhyaan* Cell, Indian Institute of Technology Patna 2014-2017
- Curriculum Advisor, MA program in Tribal & Customary Laws, Central University of Jharkhand 2014- till date
- Board of Examiners Dec. 2013
Centre for Development Studies, Central University of Bihar (as an expert to review the entire semester's teaching and evaluation)
- MA Thesis Examiner May 2014
Centre for Development Studies, Central University of Bihar (evaluated 4 MA thesis)
- Co-convener, RC 4- Migration and Diaspora Studies, Indian Sociological Society 2014-2015