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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF MUMBAI (MH)

- Doctorate in English (Ph.D)- Pursuing
- Aug, 2020

DR. B. AMBEDKAR UNIVERSITY, SAMBHAJINAGAR(MH)

- Bachelor of Arts in English (BA English)
- Percentage: 60%/First Class
- June, 1996

CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF HYDERABAD

- Master of Arts in English.
- Percentage: 55%/Second Class
- June, 1999

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Total: 25 Years
- UG: 25 Years
- PG: 25 Years

PROFILE

Associate Professor of English & Director (I/C), School of Humanities and Social Sciences, YCMOU, Nashik With 25+ years of teaching experience in English Language & Literature and Human Rights, He has developed academic programs, authored books in English and Marathi, and trained 500+ government officials in Human Rights. He has led multiple ICSSR and YCMOU-funded research projects on Dalit Literature, socio-economic studies, tribal culture, and technology in education, with extensive contributions to ODL content development and national/international conferences.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Academic Leadership & Teaching

SINCE 1999

- Holds a Master of Arts (M.A.) degree in English and has successfully cleared the UGC-NET and State Eligibility Test (SET) in English, establishing eligibility for lectureship. These academic achievements reflect strong expertise and a deep commitment to subject knowledge.
- 25+ years of UG & PG teaching experience
- 2 key leadership roles (Director I/C & Head of Chair)
- 10+ visiting faculty/resource person engagements

1. Program Development & Content Creation:

- Developed SIM/SLM content in English and Marathi for diploma and certificate programs.
- 10+ books authored/co-edited in English & Marathi
- 20+ audio-video lessons & e-content produced
- 3 Human Rights programs developed with global collaboration

2. Research & Publications:

- 5+ completed funded research projects
- 1 ICSSR-funded project currently ongoing
- Multiple papers presented at national & international conferences

3. Training & Community Outreach:

- 500+ officials & police personnel trained in Human Rights
- 1 trustee role at Narayan Surve Public Library
- 5+ community-based educational initiatives
- Conducted Human Rights orientation for 40+ women staff at YCMOU
- Delivered awareness sessions for govt. and NGO personnel

RESEARCH PROJECT INDICES

Minor	Ongoing: 8	Complete: 02	Total: 10
Major	Ongoing:	Complete:	Total

HOBBIES & LEISURE

1	Reading books beyond my major discipline
2	Listening to Indian music
3	Watching educational TV shows (National Geographic, Discovery Science, Interviews & Debates)

DEVELOPMENT OF PROGRAMMES & SIM

1.	Coordinated the development of Orientation, Certificate, and Diploma Programmes in Human Rights, in collaboration with Human Rights Unit, Commonwealth Secretariat, London
2.	Developed 6 books in English & 4 books in Marathi in SIM format under these programmes

TRAINING

1	Coordinated four-day Orientation Programmes in Human Rights (OPHR) for Police Personnel at YCMOU
2	Provided Human Rights awareness training to over 500 Government Officials & Police Personnel
3	Conducted Orientation Programmes for 40 women staff members of YCMOU
4	Contributed as a subject expert in English Language & Literature, and Human Rights in various counsellor training programmes and workshops

EXTENSION

1	Trustee, Narayan Surve Public Library (A Grade Library)
2	Visiting faculty in various educational institutions for English Language & Literature
3	Expert resource person for Government and Non-Government organisations on Human Rights & RTI

AUDIO-VIDEO & VLC TECHNOLOGY

- 1 Delivered lectures on VLC for English Literature & Language courses
- 2 Coordinated the development of 3 videos and 20 audio programmes on Human Rights

SKILLS

- 1 Co-edited 4 books on Communicative English for YCMOU
- 2 Translation (Marathi ↔ English), Published articles in books
- 3 Proficient in Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Interactive Websites
- 4 Edited Ashwamedh Bulletin during Inter-University Sports
- 5 Worked as Executive Editor of YCMOU Bulletin (English)

E-CONTENT DEVELOPMENT

- 1 Developed online lessons, radio & TV scripts, Web 2.0 technology content
- 2 Content development for EDUSAT

PUBLICATIONS & CONTRIBUTIONS

- 1 Presented papers at International & National Seminars/Conferences
- 2 Published papers in Research Journals & Seminar Proceedings
- 3 Visiting faculty at Maharashtra Police Academy (MPA) & Detective Training School (DTS)

MINOR RESEARCH PROJECTS (COMPLETED)

- 1 Wadekar, N., & Ambedkar, V. V. (2025). *Elasticity analysis of distance and traditional education systems in India*. Minor Research Project Sanctioned by Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik, India. Sanctioned grant: ₹70,625 for the academic year 2024–2025.

2	Wadekar, N., Ambedkar, V. V., Gawande, S. L., Bhagat, M. B., Bharodkar, S. D. (2025). <i>Socio-economic impact of religious tourism in Nashik city: A comprehensive analysis</i> . Minor Research Project Sanctioned by Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik, India. Sanctioned grant: ₹73,542 for the academic year 2024–2025.
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MINOR RESEARCH PROJECTS (ONGOING)

1	Wadekar, N. (2025). <i>Folk songs & folk dances of tribes of Nashik district</i> . Minor Research Project Sanctioned by Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), Western Regional Centre. Sanctioned grant: ₹50,000 for the academic year 2024–2025.
2	Wadekar, N., & Gawande, S. L. (2024). <i>नाशिक जिल्ह्यातील आदिवासी महिलांचा पंचायतराज व्यवस्थेमधील सहभाग : एक अभ्यास</i> [Participation of tribal women in Panchayati Raj system of Nashik district: A study]. Minor Research Project sanctioned by Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik, India. Sanctioned grant: ₹56,500 for the academic year 2024–2025.
3	Wadekar, N., & Dhurve, P. L. (2024). <i>महाराष्ट्र के गोंड एवं कोरकू जनजातियों का सांस्कृतिक एवं सामाजिक जीवन का तुलनात्मक अध्ययन (मेलघाट के विशेष संदर्भ में)</i> . Minor Research Project sanctioned by Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik, India. Sanctioned grant: ₹63,00 for the academic year 2024–2025.
4	Wadekar, N., & Dighe B. M. (2024). <i>एम ए प्रवेशित विद्यार्थ्यांना क्षेत्रीय प्रकल्प लेखन करताना येणाऱ्या समस्यांचा अभ्यास व त्यावरील उपाययोजना</i> . Minor Research Project sanctioned by Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik, India. Sanctioned grant: ₹48,000 for the academic year 2024–2025.
5	Wadekar, N., & Wagh, P. (2024). <i>The impact of psychological techniques on the well-being and productivity of industrial workers</i> , Minor Research Project sanctioned by Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik, India. Sanctioned grant: ₹64,375 for the academic year 2024–2025.
6	Wadekar, N., & Bharodkar, S. D. (2024). <i>ग्रामीण विकासाच्या संदर्भात महात्मा गांधी तंटामुक्त गाव अभियानाचे योगदान: एक विशेष संदर्भ – नाशिक जिल्हा</i> . Minor Research Project

	sanctioned by Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik, India. Sanctioned grant: ₹47,043/- for the academic year 2024–2025.
7	Wadekar, N., & Jawale, D. (2024). <i>Strategies for enhancing student engagement in ODL journalism programs of YCMOU: Insights from online learning platforms</i> . Minor Research Project sanctioned by Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik, India. Sanctioned grant: ₹70,000 for the academic year 2024–2025.
8	Wadekar, N., & Bhagat M. B. (2024). <i>Analytical Study of Social and Economic Status of Aandh Tribal Community in Washim District</i> . Minor Research Project sanctioned by Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik, India. Sanctioned grant: ₹85,833 for the academic year 2024–2025.