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Designation and Institutional Address	: Asst. Professor of Sociology Research Officer, The Kerala State Higher Education Council
Affiliation	: University of Kerala
Educational Qualification	: MA, PhD in Sociology
Teaching Experience/ Service	: 14 years
Subjects Handled	: Introduction to Social Sciences, Understanding Indian Society, Sociological Theories, Social Psychology, Urban Sociology, Life Skill Education, Social Stratification SAAC, FYUGP curriculum
Research area	: Gender Studies
Research engagement	: Research Guide in Sociology under University of Kerala
Awards/Recognitions	: Dr. Jose Murickan Young Sociologist Award November 2009
Current Position	: Research Officer on Deputation, The Kerala State Higher Education Council since January 2023

Positions held:

- Served as Head, Department of Sociology, S N College Chempazhanchy since June 2011 till December 2022
- Serving as PhD Research Supervisor under University of Kerala since 29.01.2021 till date.
- Serving as Member, Board of Studies (Pass Board), University of Kerala.

- Serving as Member, Academic Committee, Sree Narayana Guru Open University, Kollam for UG Program, Sociology since 19/1/2021
- Served as IQAC Co-ordinator, S N College Chempazhanthy
- Served as Secretary, College Council, S N College Chempazhanthy since December 2013 till December 2022.
- Serving as Editorial Board Member, *Kerala Sociologist* (Journal of the Kerala Sociological Society) since 10/05/2021 till date.
- Serving as Vice President, PTA, Govt. Medical College, Trivandrum
- Served as NAAC Co-ordinator, S N College Chempazhanthy for Cycle 3 Accreditation from 07/07/2020 to 04/7 2022
- Served as Examiner for the evaluation of answer scripts at the Office of the Kerala Public Service Commission.
- Conducted and submitted UGC Minor Research Project on the topic “Social and Psychological Dimensions of Orphanage Inmates: A study conducted in Sree Chitra Home, Thiruvananthapuram” in 2016.
- Organised several National and international conferences as Convenor
- Delivered several invited lectures as Resource person in seminars & programs of academic importance
- Served as **Secretary of Kerala Sociological Society** for two consecutive years from 2017 to 2019.

At The Kerala State Higher Education Council:

- In charge of State Assessment and Accreditation Council
- SAAC Orientations Classes taken at **Mar Ivanios College, CMS College, Kottayam , NSS Headquarters, Changanassery. LBS Institute of Technology for Women, Poojappura, Thiruvananthapuram, Mar Athanasius College (Autonomous), Kothamangalam**
- Delivered lectures at **Kerala, Calicut, Kannur, Mahatma Gandhi Universities and at CUSAT and Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit** regarding the Curriculum of Four Year Under Graduate Program.
- Delivered lectures at selected Colleges of **14 districts as part of District level Orientation Program** regarding the Four Year Under Graduate Program Curriculum.
- Has published several research papers in journals of national & international repute.