

## MADHURA DAMLE

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### Personal Information:

Date of Birth: 17-10-1985

Sex: Female

Languages known: English, Hindi, Marathi, Sanskrit, working knowledge of Bengali

### Educational Qualifications:

- Working on the doctoral thesis titled '*The Nationalization of Marathi: Politics of Print and Language in Maharashtra, 1805- 1920*'.
- M.Phil. awarded in 2011 with 1<sup>st</sup> Class (CGPA 6.69/9) from Centre for Political Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. The dissertation was titled '*Marxism and Language: Reinterpreting Linguistic Materialism*'.
- Cleared UGC-NET in December 2008 with JRF.
- M.A. in Political Science (2008) from Centre for Political Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi with 1<sup>st</sup> Class (CGPA 6.56/9).
- B.A. in Political Science (2006) from University of Mumbai (Ruia College, Mumbai) with 1<sup>st</sup> Class (69%), topped the college.
- P.G. Diploma in Linguistics (distance) (2008) from Tilak Maharashtra University, Pune with 1<sup>st</sup> Class (61%).
- Basic and Advanced Diploma in Sanskrit (distance) (2006) from Tilak Maharashtra University, Pune with 1<sup>st</sup> Class (73.64%)
- H.S.C. (arts) (2003) from Maharashtra State Board (Ruia College, Mumbai) with 1<sup>st</sup> Class (80.67%). 13<sup>th</sup> Rank in the Merit List (Mumbai Division).
- S.S.C. (2001) from Maharashtra State Board (Saraswati Secondary School, Thane) with 1<sup>st</sup> Class (89.86%).

### Publications:

- "Review of 'Religion, Language and Power' by Nile Green and Mary Searle Chatterjee (eds.)", *Contemporary South Asia* Vol.19, No.2, 2011.
- "Book Review of 'Social Space of Language: Vernacular Culture in British Colonial Punjab' by Farina Mir and 'Language, Emotion, and Politics in South India: The Making of a Mother Tongue' by Lisa Mitehell", *Indian Linguistics*, Vol. 73, No. 1-4, 2012, pp. 251-253.

- (Forthcoming) "Civil Society", in Pradip Basu, ed., *Political Sociology*, Kolkata: Setu Prakashani.

**Publications (non-academic):**

- "Did Da Did Da", *Antarnad*, August 2013.
- "Rizwana", *Antarnad*, October 2011.
- "Ardhanari Nateshwar", *Ruchi*, May 2008.
- "Vishrambag Wada", *Heritage*, 2004.
- "Nisargayatra", *Ruiaite*, 2004.
- "Malyas Mazya Kumpan Padane", *Ruchi*, August 2003.
- "Aise Lene Maharashtra", *Ruchi*, May 2002.

**Paper presentations/ seminars:**

- Presented a paper titled 'Construction of Alternative Religious Practices in Non-Brahmin Movement' in a national seminar on Democracy, Development and Social Justice organized by CPS, JNU in March 2013.
- Delivered a couple of lectures on politics of language in Linguistics Department, University of Mumbai in August-September 2012 (titled 'Language and Marxism' and 'Coiffuring Marathi: Politics of Language in 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> century Maharashtra').
- Presented a paper titled 'Hinduizing Marathi Identity: Savarkar's Language Cleansing Drive' in International Young Researchers Conference held at CHS, JNU in 2012.
- Presented critical notes on the works of Sudipta Kaviraj, Bhikhu Parekh and Partha Chatterjee in different round-table conferences held at CPS, JNU in 2009-10.
- Participated in one-month workshop on 'Philosophy in Social Sciences' organized by NIAS, Bangalore in June 2009.
- Presented a paper titled 'Vedic Political Institutions and Political Thought' in State Level Sanskrit seminar organized by S.P.College, Pune in 2005.
- Presented a paper titled 'Performing Arts: in Gupta Age and in Kalidasa's Works' in State Level Sanskrit seminar organized by S.P.College, Pune in 2004
- Presented a paper titled 'Flowers in Kalidasa's works and Present Times' in a seminar organized by Ruia College, Mumbai in 2004.

**Work experience:**

- Worked as a Research Assistant for Dr. Asha Sarangi and Prof. Sudha Pai in March-July 2009.
- Worked part time in a Delhi-based NGO – Asian Heritage Foundation for two months for an outreach event 'Sanjha Dhara'. The theme of the event was Indian Federalism in November-December 2007. (Description of the work- Content Generation and Documentation)

### **Extra-Curricular Activities:**

- Being trained in *Kuchipudi* under Dr. Madhuri Majumdar, Kolkata. Was trained under Guru Padmashri Jayrama Rao and Vanashree Rao (Delhi) for five years and performed at various prestigious occasions.
- Passed third examination conducted by Gandharva Mahavidyalaya in *Kaththak* with 1<sup>st</sup> class in December 2006.
- Was a member/ activist of Indian People's Theatre Association (IPTA), JNU Unit. Acted in a number of Hindi plays which were staged in and outside Delhi at various theatre festivals. Participated in a panel discussion on 'People's Culture and Encountering with the Time' with special reference to dance, at 13<sup>th</sup> National Conference of IPTA at Bhilai in December 2011.
- Was a part of Sanskrit Theatre Group in Mumbai and performed in a number of modern Sanskrit one-act plays, which won numerous prizes at State and University level competitions from 2003-2006.
- Worked as a freelancer translator (Marathi/ English) (2006-09). Also translated a play (Marathi into English), which was staged by students of School of Arts and Aesthetics, JNU, New Delhi, and invited for festival at National School of Drama, New Delhi (2008).
- Worked as a freelancer voice-artist for various radio/ FM programmes in Delhi (2010-12).
- Delivered a number of lectures for school children on Marathi literature, including two 15-days summer camps for promoting the culture of reading among school children.

### **Scholarships, Memberships and Awards:**

- Received **UGC-JRF** since May 2009 to April 2011 and **SRF** from May 2011 to November 2013.
- Was a member of Students- Faculty Committee, CPS/ SSS/ JNU (in 2008)
- Received Maharashtra State Govt. Open Merit Scholarship for 5 consecutive years. (2000-01 to 2005-06)
- Was part of Granthali, a readers' movement in Mumbai. (1998-2006)
- Won 'Shield of Honour' and 'Master Girish Iyer Trophy' in Ramnarain Ruia College, Mumbai in recognition of 'the exemplary proficiency in co-curricular activities and academic excellence'. (2004 and 2003)
- Won Silver Medal in Homi Bhabha Young Scientist Competitive Examination in school. (1996)
- Received Maharashtra State Govt. Middle School Scholarship. (1994)