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Biographical Sketch

Dr. Rupa Biswas is an Assistant Professor in the Dept. of Social Work, St. Xavier's University, Kolkata since July, 2018. She holds Bachelor of Social Work and Post Graduate Studies in Social Work from Visva- Bharati. She had got the first rank in her Masters and secured rank holder certificate. She started her career as a development professional. She worked as a Consultant in Tata Steel Rural Development Society, Jamshedpur, a CSR wing of Tata Steel. She also worked as Protection Officer under the Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act 2005 under the Directorate of Social Welfare, Govt. of West Bengal. Her zeal for academics brought her to the world of academia. She had cleared UGC-NET and subsequently joined Ph.D. programme. She possesses more than 7 years of experience in academics along with 2.5 years of experience as a development professional. She was awarded Ph.D. from Visva Bharati in 2016. Her Doctoral research focusses on the reported cases of domestic violence against married women in Bardhaman district, West Bengal. In the extracurricular walk of life, she likes travelling, photography - wildlife and nature, reading books and writing articles.

Areas of Specialisation and Research

Her areas of specialisation are

- Gender Studies
- Family and Child Welfare
- Public health
- Marginalization, Social Exclusion and Inclusion
- Corporate Social Responsibility

The research interest lies on the following field

- Gender Studies
- Child Rights

- Public Health
- Disability Studies
- Elderly Issues
- Corporate Social Responsibility

Teaching Experience

- Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work, St. Xavier's University of Kolkata (since July 2018- -till date).
- Worked as Visiting Faculty in the Dept. of Humanities & Social Sciences, NIT, Durgapur.
- Four years eleven months' experience as Assistant Professor in the Department of Social Work, Law College Durgapur affiliated to Kazi Nazrul University, Asansol.
- Worked as Visiting Faculty in the Department of Social Work Bankura University, Bankura.
- Worked as Visiting Faculty in the Department of Adult, Continuing Education, Extension Work & Field Outreach, Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata.
- Worked as Visiting Faculty in the Dept. of Professional Studies, Netaji Subhas Open University, Kolkata.

Courses Taught

✚ Post Graduate Level

- Family and Child Welfare
- History and Ideologies of Social Work
- Social Work with Individuals/Social Casework
- Social Work with Groups
- Community Organization and Development
- Social Work Research Methodology
- Women Empowerment and Development/ Women, Gender Issues and Development
- Child Rights and Protection
- Constitutional & Legal Frameworks in India
- Social Defence and Correctional Services

✚ Undergraduate Level:

- "Contemporary India: Women and Empowerment"

Administrative Responsibility

- Board member, "Nihil Ultra: A Xaverian Interdisciplinary Journal".
- Member of "Innovation Committee".

- Member of PGBS in Master of Social Work in St. Xavier's University, Kolkata.
- Two years' experience (1st April, 2012 to 30th April 2014) as Head in the Department of Social Work, Law College Durgapur, Rajbandh.
- Appointed and served as member of Ad-hoc Board of P.G Studies in Master of Social Work in Kazi Nazrul University, Asansol and University of Burdwan.
- Appointed and served as paper setter, examiner, reviewer, moderator for the Dept. of Humanities & Social Sciences, NIT, Durgapur, Dept. of Social Work, Visva-Bharati, University of Burdwan, Vidyasagar University, Rabindra Bharati University, Netaji Subhas Open University, Bankura University and Kazi Nazrul University.

Publications

Articles published in Edited Volume

- (2018) **“Gender Justice in India: An Overview”**, Welfare of Disadvantaged: Exploring Community Development Approach, Edited by Asok Kr. Sarkar, Prasanta Ghosh Concept Publication, New Delhi. Pp 33-42, ISBN: 978-93-86682-21-5.
- (2018) **“Intimate Partner Violence as Human Rights Violation: Issues & Challenges”**, Women, Politics and Development in India: Issues, Challenges and Prospects, Edited by Sangita Mukherjee, Ranjit Kr. Sen ASHADEEP Pp 116-125 ISBN: 978-93-81245-92-7.
- (2017) **“Violence against Women in Private Sphere and Challenges of Sustainable Human Development: A Study on Married Women in Barddhaman”** Human Development and Sustainability Challenges and Strategies, Edited by Asok Kr. Sarkar, Atlantic Publishers & Distributors (P) LTD Pp 172-183 ISBN: 978-81-269-2307-6.
- (2015) **“Understanding the Vulnerabilities and Experiences of Children in Child Care Institutions of West Bengal- An Untold Story”**, Creating Professionals for Child Development and Child Protection: An ODL Initiative, Edited by Kasturi Sinha Ghosh, School of Professional Studies, Netaji Subhas Open University, Pp 67-82, ISBN: 978-93-82112-19-8.
- (2012) **“Understanding the Vulnerability of Trafficking of Women in West Bengal: Evidence from Review of Literature and Policy Issues”**, Changing Society Culture and Its Impacts on People, Edited by Khokan Kumar Bag, Rupashi Bangla Publishers, Pp 130-136, ISBN: 978-81-909878-9-9.

Articles published in UGC sponsored Journal

- (2013) **“Domestic Violence against Married Women in Burdwan: Some Reflections from Selected Case Studies”**, Journal of Social Work and Social Development, Vol. 4 No 01 & 02, Pp. 97-115, ISSN: 2229-6468.