

## Sumedh Kishor Gurjar

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Designation:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Director, Centre for Research &amp; Documentation (regular charge)</li> <li>• Director, Centre for Policy Research (additional Charge)</li> <li>• Director, Centre for Equity &amp; Social Justice (additional Charge)</li> <li>• Registrar of YASHADA (additional Charge)</li> </ul>
Academic Qualifications:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Master of Science in Social-cultural Anthropology, Savitribai Phule Pune University</li> <li>• National Eligibility Test (NET) for Lectureship, University Grants Commission of India</li> </ul>
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Date of Joining YASHADA:	1 <sup>st</sup> January 2004
Previous Positions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Additional Director, Centre for Research &amp; Documentation, YASHADA (2006-08)</li> <li>• Assistant Professor, Centre for Research &amp; Documentation, YASHADA (2004-06)</li> <li>• Lecturer, Department of Anthropology, University of Pune (1999-2003)</li> <li>• Project based work in various voluntary organizations and environmental networks (1996-99)</li> </ul>
Academic Achievements:	<p><i>A) Director, Centre for Research &amp; Documentation, YASHADA:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Successfully carried out about 55 research projects of various kinds such as baseline &amp; benchmark studies, large-scale social surveys, monitoring &amp; evaluation of social development programmes, impact assessment studies, organizational &amp; management studies, participatory action research, innovative pilot projects, documentation &amp; database creation, etc.</li> <li>• Prepared nearly 160 research documents including Reports, Databases, Modules, Manuals, Development Plans, Case Studies, Draft Bills/ Government Orders/ Guidelines, etc.</li> <li>• Conducted a wide variety of training and capacity building activities including administrative training of civil servants, capacity building of elected representatives of local governments, training of civil society stakeholders, participatory capacity building of local communities and large-scale campaigns of awareness creation, etc.</li> <li>• Contributed to the preparation of several documentary films and other interactive material for participatory research, training, capacity building, advocacy and awareness creation.</li> </ul> <p><i>B) Lecturer, Department of Anthropology, Savitribai Phule Pune University:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Taught several core courses in Anthropology at master's level such as Social-cultural Anthropology, Indian Society &amp; Culture, Tribal &amp; Rural Development, Advance Anthropological Theories, Ethnographic Research, Social Science Research Methods, etc.</li> <li>• Provided guidance to student dissertations</li> <li>• Conducted ethnographic fieldwork among several tribes in Maharashtra</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Served as departmental coordinator for complete revamp of the syllabus of M.A./ M.SC. Anthropology so as to introduce the credit based modular curriculum</li> <li>• Carried out UGS sponsored research projects</li> </ul> <p><i>C) Project team member in various voluntary organizations and environmental networks:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contributed to an Environmental Status Report on the Sanjay Gandhi National Park in Mumbai</li> <li>• Contributed to an Environmental Status Report on the Lonar Meteoritic Impact Crater in Central Maharashtra</li> <li>• Contributed to a report on the Relationship between Sacred Groves and Traditional Water Systems in the Western Ghats of Maharashtra</li> <li>• Contributed to a report on the Conservation and Management Strategies for Tadoba-Andhari Tiger Reserve in the eastern Maharashtra</li> </ul>
Professional Achievements:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Served as member of the Expert Group constituted by the Planning Commission of India to examine issues relating to promotion of an independent national level self-regulatory agency and accreditation methodologies for the voluntary sector (2008)</li> <li>• Served as member of the Task Force constituted by the Planning Commission of India to evolve the norms and methodologies for accreditation of voluntary organizations (2008)</li> <li>• Contributed to formulation of the Manual for Integrated District Planning – Volume II, published by the Planning Commission of India (2009)</li> <li>• Contributed to deliberations of the National Advisory-cum-Review Committee on the Backward Region Grant Fund constituted by the Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Government of India (2010)</li> </ul>
Areas of Expertise:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public policy</li> <li>• Administrative reforms</li> <li>• Decentralized planning</li> <li>• Participatory community mobilization &amp; empowerment</li> <li>• Rehabilitation of project affected persons</li> <li>• Voluntary sector and accreditation of voluntary organizations</li> <li>• Gender</li> <li>• Ecology &amp; environment</li> </ul>