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**Education**

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph D) - 'A Study of Prepared Core technique in Palaeolithic cultures of India' from Banaras Hindu University, Banaras, Indi (1973).

**Post Doctoral Research Fellow – from the Department of Anthropology, University of California, Berkley, USA (1981-82).**

**Important discoveries & excavations in Northern part of India**

**PAISARA (1980 to 1988)** - Stone Age settlements which is only Paleolithic settlement found in India so far.

**CHUNAR (1991 to 1993)** - sand stone quarry of Mauryan period are noteworthy discoveries.

**BHITARI (1994-1995)** - revealing the Gupta temple site is another important achievement.

**AKTHA, Varanasi (2008-2009)**

**RAMNAGAR, Varanasi (2005-06 & 2006-07)**

**AKTHA, Varanasi (2001-02 & 2003-2004)**

**KOTWA, Sarnath (1993-1994)**

**TILMANPUR & ASHAPUR near Sarnath (1993-1994)**

throw a new light on the history of Varanasi and Sarnath.

**Publications**

**Research Monographs**

1978 . Palaeohistory of India : A study of Prepared Core Technique. Agam Kala Prakashan. Delhi.

1982. Chopper-Chopping Component of Palaeolithic India. Agam Kala Prakashan. Delhi.

1986. An Ethnoarchaeological View of Indian Terracottas. (Jointly with K. Krishna). Agam Kala Prakashan. Delhi.

1991. Kushana Clay Art of Ganga Plains : ( A Case Study of Human Forms from Khairadih). Agam Kala Prakashan. Delhi.

## **Excavation Reports**

1991. Paisra : The Stone Age Settlement of Bihar. ( Jointly with P.C. Pant ). Agam Kala Prakashan. Delhi.
1998. From Stone Quarries to Sculpturing Centres [ A Report on the Archaeological Investigations around Chunar, Varanasi & Sarnath ]. Agam Kala Prakashan. Delhi.
2001. Royal Temples of Guptas (Excavations at Bhitari ). Aryan Books International. Delhi.
2009. Ancient Varanasi: An Archaeological Perspective (Excavations at Aktha). Aryan Books International. New Delhi.

## **Memorial lectures series**

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## **Text Books ( Hindi )**

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## **Articles published in various journals**

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1973. 'Typo-technological Study of Lower Palaeolithic Industries of India'. Man in India. A Quarterly Anthropological Journal. Vol 53. 1973.
1974. 'Typo-technological Study of Middle Palaeolithic Industries of India' : Comparative Review. Puratattva. Bulletin of Indian Archaeological Society. No 7.
1974. 'Some Aspects of Technique in the Old Stone Age Cultures of India : A Comparative Review'. The Eastern Anthropology. Journal of the Ethnographic & Folk Culture Society. Vol. 27. No 3.
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1981. 'Stone Age Man Around Ranchi'. Journal of the Oriental Institute. Vol XXXI. No 1.
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