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Teaching Experience:

- **Jun 19 – Present: State Aided College Teacher (SACT) II** at Department of Psychology, Maharani Kasiswari College, Kolkata – affiliated to University of Calcutta, West Bengal.
- **Jul 23 – Present: Visiting Faculty** for the Post Graduate Diploma in Guidance and Counselling (PGDGC) Programme at Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira
- **Dec 21 – Dec 23: Guest Faculty** at Department of Psychology, Institute of Management Study (IMS), Kolkata - Maulana Abul Kalam Azad University of Technology (MAKAUT), West Bengal.

Academic Qualification:

- **Qualified UGC-NET (Ph.D Only), 2024**
- **Completed PhD Course Work, 2023**, One Semester, Psychology, University of Calcutta.
- **Registered Ph.D. Scholar 2022**, Psychology, University of Calcutta. **Supervisor:** Prof. Pritha Mukhopadhyay & **Associate Supervisor:** Dr. Atanu Kumar Dogra, Dept of Psychology, University of Calcutta.
- **Qualified Research Eligibility Test (RET) 2021**, Psychology, University of Calcutta.
- **M.Sc. Psychology**, University of Calcutta, **2017** with specialization in **Experimental Psychology**: Aggregate: 72.4%
- **B.Sc. Psychology**, Asutosh College, **2015**: Aggregate: 55.87%

Consultancy Experience:

- **Feb 24 – Mar 24: Resource person** for conducting psychometric assessment for career guidance in an extramural consultancy projected named “Conducting Psychometric Test at Kendriya Vidyalaya Command Hospital, Alipore, Kolkata” under PM Shri Scheme.
- **Sep 23 – ongoing: Resource person** in the **Samagra Sikhsha Mission, Kolkata** consultancy research project entitled “*Psychological Motivation of students of Primary, Upper Primary, Secondary and Higher Secondary Schools*” under Department of Psychology, University of Calcutta.
- **Mar 21 – Dec 22: Resource person** in the UNICEF consultancy research project entitled “Resource Hub for Mental Health and Psycho-Social Services for Children” under Centre with potential for excellence in a particular area (CPEPA), University of Calcutta.
- **May 17: Consultant** at Sanjog, India. Conducted fieldwork to study the stigma mitigation strategies as taken up by the social workers.

Research Experience:

- **Jun 18 - Mar 19: Project Fellow** at Center with Potential for Excellence in a Particular Area (UGC-CPEPA), University of Calcutta.
Project Title: A Preliminary Study on Cognitive Impairment of IHD Patients in a Tertiary-Care Hospital in Kolkata. **PI:** Prof. Debasish Bandopadhyay, Dept of Physiology, & **Co PI:** Prof. Pritha Mukhopadhyay, Dept of Psychology, University of Calcutta.
- **M. Sc. Dissertation:** Perception of Facial Beauty: An exploratory study based on Golden Ratio and Facial Morphology
- **Sep, 15 - Aug 16: Project Assistant** at School of Cognitive Science, Jadavpur University of a DIT funded NPPE, Phase-II Project.

Skills:

- Short-term course on **Data Science and Statistical Data Analysis with R Program** organized by Lovely Professional University w.e.f. April 04, 2024 to April 10, 2024, Grade: “Outstanding”.
- Working knowledge of **Structural Equation Modelling** using **STATA**.
(**Attended:** 2-Day Workshop on “Structural Equation Modelling: Theoretical Framework

& Computation Process” organized by Center with Potential for Excellence in a Particular Area (UGC-CPEPA), University of Calcutta held on 16th – 17th September 2018.)

- Working knowledge of **Discriminant Function Analysis** using **SPSS**.
(**Attended:** 2-Day Workshop on “Discriminant Analysis: Theoretical Framework & Computation Process” organized by Center with Potential for Excellence in a Particular Area (UGC-CPEPA), University of Calcutta held on 7th – 8th September 2018.)
- Working knowledge on **MATLAB** and **R Program**
(**Attended:** 2-Day Workshop on “MATLAB and R Training” organized by Center with Potential for Excellence in a Particular Area (UGC-CPEPA), University of Calcutta held on 10th – 11th July 2018.)
- **Quantitative data analysis** using statistical package for social science (**SPSS**) as part of the M. Sc. Psychology (Specialization: **Experimental Psychology** curriculum).

Presentations & Workshops:

- **Nov 2024: Resource Person** in a one day seminar cum workshop entitled “*Designing Instrument and Software for Cognitive & Behavioural Assessment and Intervention*” on 14th November, 2024 sponsored by RUSA, organized by the Department of Electronic Science and Department of Psychology, University of Calcutta.
- **Feb 2024: Accepted:** “**Predictive power of Facial Morphology and Interocular Distance: Dummy Regression Analysis**” for Oral Presentation at 33rd Annual Convention of National Academy of Psychology (NAOP) on “*Psychology for Sustainable Development: Empowering the Future*” on 14th – 16th Feb 2024. (Accepted)
- **Jan 2024: Resource person** in a one-day orientation programme on UG CCF Semester I syllabus (practical) of Psychology under NEP on 3rd January, 2024.
- **Dec 2023: Presentation:** “**Neurocognitive Impairment in Ischemic Heart Disease as a Function of Vessel Block and Ejection Fraction**” was accepted for presentation under the category “*Physiology and Medical Sciences including Forensic Sciences*” at the **6th Regional Science and Technology Congress, 2023 – 24**, jointly organized by University of Calcutta and Department of Science and Technology and Biotechnology, Government of West Bengal, held on 21st – 22nd December 2023.
- **Nov 2023: Invited lecture series** on Positive Psychology held on 8th Nov 2023 – 5th Jan 2024 organized by Department of Psychology, Bethune College.

- **Dec 2022: Invited lecture** on Positive Psychology held on 2nd – 19th Dec 2022 organized by Department of Psychology, Bethune College.
- **Feb 2021: Resource person** in a three-day online orientation programme on UG Semester-V prioritised syllabus of Psychology under CBCS held on 28th January, & 4th – 5th February 2021.
- **Dec 2019: Presented: “Impact of vessel block and altered ejection fraction on neuropsychological functions in patients with ischemic heart disease”** in the **symposium “A search for the connectivity between pathophysiology and neurocognitive dysfunctions and its role in formulating intervention”** at the 29th Annual Convention of National Academy of Psychology (NAOP) & International Conference on “Making Psychology Deliverable to Society”, 20th -22nd Dec, 19
- **Aug 2018: Demonstrator:** 6-Week Certificate Course on “Electrophysiological & Neuroimaging Studies including Mathematical Modelling”, Center with Potential for Excellence in a Particular Area (UGC-CPEPA), University of Calcutta. **Demonstrated: Application of neuropsychological assessment tool (Rey-Oesterich Complex Figure Test) with emphasis on cardiovascular and stroke patients.**
- **Dec 2017: Presented: “An Exploratory Study: Perception of Beauty with varying Facial Morphology and Interocular Distance”** at 27th Annual Conference of National Academy of Psychology (NAOP), 2017, organized by Dept. of Humanities & Social Sciences, Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur with National Academy of Psychology, India.

Publications:

1. Paul, I., & **Manna, K.** (2024). Mere Exposure: The Implicit Route to Attitude Change. *International Journal of Indian Psychology*, 12(3), 237-244. DOI:10.25215/1203.022
2. **Manna, K.**, Palit, S., Nag, M., Dogra, A.K., & Mukhopadhyay, P. (2024). Impact of Ethnic Prejudice on Perceived Proximal Interpersonal Relationship: A Mixed Method Approach. *IAHRW International Journal of Social Sciences Review*. 12(2), 184-191.
3. **Manna, K.**, & Mullick, S. (2023). Perception of Students without Disability towards Students with Disability (SWD): A Qualitative Exploration. *International Journal of Indian Psychology*, 11(4), 3139-3146. DIP:18.01.298.20231104, DOI:10.25215/1104.298.
4. Mukhopadhyay, P., Saha, N., Das, G., Mondol, A., Sengupta, A., Nag, M., **Manna, K.**, Nath, S., & Saha, P. (2022). Cognitive dysfunction in Basal ganglia and thalamic stroke patients: A case study approach. *Act Nerv Super Rediviva*. 64(4), 1–7.