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**Designation:** Professor of Anthropology at the University of Delhi, India;

Served as Associate Professor at Delhi University, from August 1992-2000. Retired after

the 31st of October, 2016

Worked as Research associate UGC (University Grants Commission), Pool Officer, CSIR) Council for Scientific and Industrial Research) and lecturer (Assistant Professo) in the Department of Anthropology at Delhi University since 1978.

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**Research Interests:** Identities: embodied and gendered, Religion and Cosmology, Environmental issues, Landscapes including sacred and urban ones and various aspects of Marginalization.

# Fellowships, Awards and Important Positions held both nationally and internationally:

#### International

- Charles Wallace Visiting Fellowship in Anthropology for three months to Queens' University, U.K. from February –May 2000.
- Fulbright Lecturer to U.S.A. for one teaching semester, August –December 2003.
   Taught one semester of Women's Studies and also Anthropological Theory at Auburn University, Alabama.
- During this period gave special lectures at the University of Tennesse, CUNY and Penn State University.
- Visiting Professor to Maison Des Sciences De L'Homme, Paris for one month at the invitation of the French Government from March- April 2004.
- Visiting Scholar to Kyoto University to present paper at the symposium, "Is Race a Universal Idea?" at the invitation of the Japanese government in September 2002
- Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence (Visiting Professor) to University of South Carolina, U.S.A from 15<sup>th</sup> Aug, 2008 to 15<sup>th</sup> May 2009.
- Visiting Scholar to the University of Kentucky, Lexington, U.S.A from August
   -November, 2012
- Nominated Fellow of the Society for Applied Anthropology, U.S.A
- Co-Chair of the Commission on the Anthropology of Women of the International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences (IUAES), an international body of anthropologists from 2003 -2008.
- Chair of the Commission on Women, IUAES from 2009 to 2013.
- Chair of the Commission on Marginalization and Global Apartheid, IUAES from 2017, with Prof. Faye V Harrison as Co-Chair.
- Elected Vice-President of the International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences (IUAES) in July 2013
- Elected Senior Vice-President of the International Union of Anthropological and

- Ethnological Sciences (IUAES) in July 2018
- Member of the Steering Committee of the World Anthropological Union (WAU) since 2018.
- Senior Visiting Professor at the Institute of Afro-Oriental Studies, University of Bahia, Salvador, Brazil from Sept 2-Sept 17, 2019.

#### National

- President of the Indian Anthropological Association from 1997-2000
- Visiting professor to Hyderabad Central University in March 2006.
- Visiting professor to Calcutta University teaching a course on Human Rights from 2001 onwards.
- Visiting Professor to Kannur University, Kerala, India, Dec, 2011
- Visiting Professor to Punjab University, Chandigarh in March 2014
- Awarded the Sarat Chandra Roy Gold Medal for lifetime contribution to Cultural Anthropology by the Asiatic Society of India, in 2011.
- Awarded the Distinguished Teacher Award of Delhi University as its Best Serving Teacher in 2016.
- Member of the Academic Advisory Board of the Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Manav Sangrahalaya (The Museum of Man), Bhopal, India
- Member of Experts Committee of Publications and Research of the Lalit Kala Academy (Academy of Fine Arts), New Delhi
- Member of Experts Committee of the Indian Council of Social Science Research, New Delhi
- Government Nominated Member of the Rashtriya Manav Sangrahalaya Samiti (Bhopal) and its Executive Council
- Member, Board of Governors of the Govind Ballabh Pant Social Science Institute, Jhusi, Allahabad (Aug 2018-)
- Member, Board of Research Studies of the Social Sciences, IGNOU
- Member Experts Committee of the UGC Advanced Center, Department of Anthropology, Calcutta University (2018-)
- Member, Board of Research Studies, Department of Anthropology, NEHU.
- Member Academic Advisory Board of the Anthropological Survey of India, from 2019.
- Member Governing Body of G.B. Pant Social Science Institute, from November 2024

# **Editing**

- Served on the Editorial Advisory Board of Man, the Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute, G.B. up to December 2012.
- Present member of the editorial advisory board of Religion and Society
- Member, the Scientific Advisory Committee of the journal Urbanities, published by the International Urban Symposium (IUS)
- Managing Editor and Editor of the journal Indian Anthropologist, from 2000-2007 and 2007-2014, respectively
- Member of the Editorial team of the Journal of the Anthropological Survey of India
- Co-editor of Reviews in Anthropology, published by Taylor and Francis from January 2024

### Participation in International Conferences and Invited Lectures:

- Presented paper "Cosmology and gender among a pastoral group of the Upper Himalayas" at the International Congress of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences held in Virginia, U.S.A. in July 1998
- A talk was delivered, sponsored by the Women's Study Center of the University of Alabama, U.S.A. at Auburn University in August 1998.
- A paper "Trade and economy in the Himalayas with special focus on pastoral nomadism: A case study of the Jads of Uttarkashi, Himalayas"-was presented at the International Conference of the Shared Social Ecology of the Himalayas jointly held by UNESCO and the Manav Sangrahalaya, Bhopal, India, in November 1998.
- A Seminar was given at the Queen's University of Belfast on "Cosmology and Religion of the Jads of the Upper Himalayas" as part of their Spring Research Seminar series on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2000.
- Participated in the ASA 2000 Conference held at the School of African and
  Oriental Studies in London, in April 2000 and gave a paper "The Re-emergence of
  Traditional Medicine and Health Care in Post-Colonial India and National
  Identity" which has been published in the volume, 'Investigating Local
  Knowledge: New Directions, New Approaches' edited by Alan Bicker, Paul
  Sillitoe and Johan Pottier, Ashgate(2005).
- 2001sponsored by Ford Foundation to read the paper "Metaphors of Race and Caste based discriminations against Dalits and Dalit women in India" at the NGO Forum of The World Conference Against Racism held in Durban, South Africa, Sept, 2001. The paper has been published in Resisting Racism Edited by Faye V. Harrison, published in 2005, Alta Mira Pub.
- 2001 invited by the Japanese Government to present a paper at a symposium held in Kyoto, Japan on the theme "Is Race a Universal idea?"
- The paper has since been published in Japan, in the Japanese language, and is awaiting publication in its English version.
- 2002,participated in the Women's World Conference held in Kampala, East Africa and the paper read has been published as the Proceedings of that seminar.
- 2003 Attended South Asian Conference at Wisconsin Madison, paper "Relationship between cosmology and forest in the Upper Himalayas"
- 2004 Participated in Workshop, 'Nature and culture in the Himalayas 'in Paris in 2004. The paper, "Wilderness of the Civilization: knowledge and Perception of a Himalayan Pastoral Community" has been published in the volume Nature, Culture and Religion at the Cross Roads on Asia edited by Marie LeComte Tilouine and published from CNRS, Paris.
- 2003 attended the International Conference in Florence, Italy; the paper presented there has been published in Urban Anthropology and Studies of Cultural systems, Vol 33, No.1 2004.
- 2005, as the Co-chair of the Commission on the Anthropology of Women, along with Prof. Faye V. Harrison, organized four sessions at the Inter congress of

IUAES held in Kolkata in December 2005. One of the sessions was co-organized with UNESCO on AIDS, Women and Human Rights. The twenty –two papers read were later edited by me and published as a special volume of The Indian Anthropologist, 2006(Nos 1&2)

- 2006, The Commission on the Anthropology of Women organized a session Negotiating Post-Colonial Conditions as Gendered Praxis at Cape Town in South Africa, paper, "Family and Kinship in India, Colonial and Post-Colonial constructions".
- 2006 (December), Presented Key Note Address at the conference Gender and Museum held at the IGRMS, Bhopal
- 2007 (November) Presented paper at the 'International Conference on Biological and Cultural Diversity in South and South East Asia and the Developmental Consequences' organized by Asiatic Society in Calcutta. Title of paper "Colonial Impact on ecological and social diversity in India and its consequences"
- 2007 (Dec), Golden Jubilee Conference of Department of Anthropology, Bhubaneshwar University "Tribe" The concept and its relevance in the post-modern world"
- 2008, was invited to present a paper at the International Conference organized by Heidelberg University, on 'Ritual Dynamics and the Science of Rituals'. The paper "Ritual Transfer: From high to low in the Himalayas". is published in the volume Transfer and Spaces edited by Gita Dharampal Frick, Robert Langer and Nils Holger in Series Ritual Dynamics and the Science of Rituals eds., Axel Michaels et al. Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz.
- 2009 presented a paper at the Society for Applied Anthropology conference to be held in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Title of paper, "What do People live on? Living wages in India", published in Anthropology of Work Review, published by The American Anthropological Association, 2010, Vol 31(1): 15-29
- 2009 (July) presented the Key Note address at the Congress of the International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences held at Kunming in China, the Title of the Key Note address was "Global Economy and Constructed Social Imagination: Intersection of Aesthetics, Race, Gender and Caste in South Asia" Published in Keynotes in Anthropology edited by Peter Nas, Hao Shiyuan and Zhang Xiaomin, China
- 2009, As Chairperson of the Commission on the Anthropology of Women, organized a Panel at the Congress of the IUAES held at Kunming, China, along with Prof. Marilyn Porter. The title of the panel was "Women's Knowledge, Natural Resource Management and Environment-Related Skills'.
- 2009 (August) Participated as a Chairperson to a session in the International Seminar on Adivasi/S/T Communities in India at the India International Centre,
- 2009 (September) Presented paper at the National Seminar on 'Contributions of K.P Chattopadhyaya and Irawati Karve in the development of Anthropology' Organized by the Asiatic Society of Calcutta, Title of paper, "Ancient Texts and Representations of Indian Society: A Critical Gendered approach of the works of K.P. Chattopadhayaya and Irawati Karve" published in the Journal of the Asiatic Society,

- 2010 (Feb) Presented a paper at the International Congress of Bengal Studies held at Delhi University Title of paper read "Depicting the Devi and the Dasi: A Gendered and Caste based inquiry into the female characters of Sarat Chandra Chatterjee's novels"
- 2010 (July) Presented a paper and also chaired a session at the International Interdisciplinary Conference on 'Language, Culture and Civilization: East and West', jointly organized by The School of Languages, Literature and Cultural Studies, J.N.U, New Delhi and Davis and Elkins College, West Virginia, U.S.A, Society for Indian Philosophy and Religion. Title of paper, "How Gods Communicate? Mystical language and Beliefs in Himalayan Communities".
- 2010 (April) Presented a paper and chaired a session at the National Seminar on Feminization of Culture, Organized by the ICSSR-NERC, Shillong, Meghalaya India.
- 2011 (March), Organized a National Seminar on 'A Gendered Approach to Material Culture: Representation and Practices" at the Indira Gandhi Rastriya Manav Sangrhalaya, Bhopal. The papers from this conference have been published edited by Subhadra Mitra Channa and Kamal K Misra
- 2011 (July) Organized a Panel at the International Conference held din Perth, Australia at the Australian National University, This panel was organized as Chair of the Commission on the Anthropology of Women, IUAES and the title of the panel, "A Gendered Praxis towards Sustainable Development"
- 2011 (November) Presented a paper, "Embodied Values: How the Indian Mind/Body is informed by the concepts of Varnashrama and Moksha" at the International Seminar on 'Cultural Unity of India: Past, Present and Future' Organized by the Ramakrishna Institute of Culture, Kolkata. Paper published in the volume *Cultural Unity of India* edited by Sabyasachi Bhattacharya, 2013.
- 2012 (Feb) Presented a Paper, "Negotiating Development and Environment: Strategies and Contestations regarding the Himalayan Dams" at the International Conference on 'Resources, Tribes and State' organized by the Arunachal University of Tribal Studies (AITS) at the Rajiv Gandhi University, Ita Nagar, Arunachal Pradesh.
- 2012 (April) Presented a paper, "An anthropological Approach to the 51 Shaktipeeth at the Conference on 51 Shaktipeeth, Luknow, Organized by the Ayodhya Research Foundation and Saskrit Vibhag, U.P and Tourism Department U.P. Government...
- 2012 (July) Presented the Key Note Address at the National Seminar on "Perspectives in the Life World and the Socio-Cultural Transformation of the Scheduled Tribes of India", held at Manipur, India
- 2012 (September) Participated in the International Seminar on Issues of Legitimacy: Entrepreneurial Culture, Corporate Responsibility and Urban development, Naples, Italy.
- On behalf of the Commission on the Anthropology of Women, IUAES, organized panel on "Women Entrepreneurs in a Globalizing World" Chaired and presented Introduction to the panel.

- 2012 (October) Participated in the International Conference "Global Mountain regions Conference" organized by the Appalachian Centre University of Kentucky, USA. Presented a paper in the Panel, "Indigenous Social Movements in the Mountain Regions".
- 2013 (February) Presented Key Note address at the International Seminar on trans-border Communities and Cultures in Asia: issues and Perspectives, Kolkata, ASI. "Constructing Identities around borders, Conceptualizing Village, Space and the Self on the Upper Himalayan Borders"
- 2013 (March) Presented the Key Note address at the national Conference organized by the Marathi Anthropological Society, Satara, Maharashtra, India.
- 2013, Presented paper at the UGC Sponsored national Seminar, "Trans-border Migration, Human Security and environmentalism in South Asia with Reference to Himalayan and Adjacent Regions", organized by the Centre for Himalayan Studies North Bengal University, Title of paper, "The historical role of Tibet in the economic and political dimensions of the Himalayan Border Communities"
- 2013 (September) Contributed Paper at a conference held in Fribourg, Switzerland organized by the University of Fribourg and the Commission on Urban Anthropology, IUAES in September 2013; Title of paper, "Critically looking at the cognitive dimension of 'Being Urban", Published in Diogenes, UNESCO Journal (2016)
- 2014 (January) Contributed paper at conference of the IPPA (Indo-Pacific Prehistory Association) held in Siem Reap. Title of paper "Occupational Heritage and their coping with the Urban Milieu and Modern Technology in India" in Jan 2014
- 2014 Chaired and was key speaker at a Seminar and workshop on Art education at the Lalit Kala Academy,
- 2014, Chaired a session at the seminar on Neuroscience, Psychology and Educational Practices organized by Tibet House, Cultural Centre of his Holiness the Dalai Lama in Collaboration with D.S. Kothari Centre for Science, Ethics and Education, University of Delhi
- 2014 (Feb) Presented a Key Paper at the Conference entitled, 'Diversities and Connections: Reconsidering Ethnic boundaries in North-East India' at the Nehru Memorial Museum and Library, New Delhi, organized by the NMML in association with University of Geottingen, Germany, CNRS (Paris) and Prof. Tanka Subba, Sikkim University
- 2014 (Feb) Presented a paper at the 'International Conference on the Eastern Himalayas: Gender, Poverty and Livelihoods' held at the Centre for North-East Studies and Policy Research, Jamia Milia Islamia University.
- Title of paper read "Gender Roles in the North-Eastern Himalayas: Cosmology, Conflict and History"

- 2014 (September) Presented a paper at the Annual Conference of the World UISPP (Union International de Sciences Prehistoriques et Protohistoriques) held in Burgos, Spain
- 2015, IUAES in Bangkok, Thailand, paper, 'Violence in the name of Honor' and organized Panel, 'Contribution of Non-European scholars to the Discipline of Anthropology'
- 2015 (Sept) Attended the World Social Science Forum in Durban and presented paper 'Marginalization of tribes in India'
- 2016 (May), Dubrovnik, Croatia, IUAES, Organized panel 'Generating Knowledge from the Margins and Its Relevance in a Globalizing World' and read paper 'Visiting Caste and Indian Society from the Margins: Contribution from Dalit Perspectives'.
- 2016 (Sept) Centre for North-East Studies, Jamia Milia Univ, Delhi; Conference
  on the Contributions of Verrier Elwin, paper title, 'The Relevance/Irrelevance of
  the philosophy of Elwin's life and writings in the light of contemporary North-East
  tribes of India and the Indian state.
- Delivered an invited lecture at the Round Table Organized by INCAA, 21-22
  February, at Vidya Sagar University, West Bengal, Title of Paper "Decolonizing
  the Concept of Civilization: Paying heed to multiculturalism in state sponsored
  development policies"
- Attended the International Conference on P.O. Bodding organized by the Asiatic Society in Kolkata from 23-24th February
- Title of paper "Exploring the cognitive dimensions of illness and healing from a non-western/indigenous perspective"
- April 2017 attended the International Conference on Mountain Sacred Landscapes and presented a paper in the panel Mountains as Sacred Sources for Social Activism at the New School in New York organized by the ISSRNC.
- Title of paper: "Gods, Dams and the Enemy Across: Negotiating the Sacred Environment of the Himalayan Borders"
- Attended the Inter-Congress of the IUAES and CASCA held in Ottawa from 2-7th May, 2017.
- Organized two panels,
  - Panel 1 "Anthropological Fieldworks: Moving from Center to Periphery", read a paper, "Who is the 'Other'? Doing fieldwork in one's own region: Reflections from India." (Co-Convener Lorne Holyoak) Panel 2 "Ecological Refugees" (Chair)
- Attended the American Anthropological Association meeting in Washington D.C USA from 29th November to December 3, 2017.
- Discussant on the panel, "Visibilities and Invisibilities: Forms of Racism and Anti-Racism in the Twenty-First Century"

- Participant in the Round Table discussion on "Diversity Against Divisiveness: Anthropology's fight for Global Humanism"
- Organized panel for the IUAES Congress held in Florianopolis, Brazil, from July 16-20, 2018.
- Title of Panel "Demonizing the Other: Stereotypes and Prejudices about Transnational Global Movements"
- Title of Paper read: "Are Children Terrorists?" Examining Racialized "National Interest" vs. Humanism and Cosmopolitanism in the context of the Rohingyas of Burma and the global perception of Refugees.
- Delivered the Key Note at the Symposium on Women in Anthropology held at the Afro-Asian Institute, Salvador. Title of Lecture
- Contextualizing Indian Feminist Scholarship within Local Patriarchy and global influence July 23-26, 2018
- Delivered paper at the Conference on "Urban Inequalities" held at Corinth, Greece, in June 19-22, 2019. Title of paper read, "Imagining Global Cities: State Policies and Marginalization of the Poor"
- Delivered a paper at the Panel on "Climate Change, Food and Water Security of the Marginalized CommunitiesGlobally" at the 2019 IUAES Congress held at Poznan, Poland from 27th -31st August; organized by Joan P Mencher and myself.
- Title of paper read, "Climate Chance and Adaptations in the Himalayas
- Delivered the Key Note Address at the Seminar held in Central University Hyderabad on Sustainable Livelihoods, from the 29-30th of September 2019. Title of Key Note "Livelihood of Vulnerable Communities: Towards a Sustainable Future".
- In July 2022 and July 2023, lectured at the Urban Methodology Teaching Workshop held in Montecatini, Italy by the International Urban Symposium.
- In July 2022, organized a workshop on Indigenous Knowledge at the EASA Conference in Belfast, G.B.
- Delivered the Key note address at the IUAES-WAU Congress held at the University of Delhi, India, in October 2023.
- November 2023, read papers in two panels at the AAA meeting held in Toronto, Canada
- Delivered Key Note address at the Conference on the Bengal Delta organized by the Kolkata Society for Cultural Studies, in January 2024.
- Delivered Key Note address at two- day workshop on "Revisiting Sociology: Text, Context, Pedagogy" on the 19<sup>th</sup> of January 2024, at the G.B. Pant Social Science Institute, Allahabad
- Delivered Key Note address at the Center for Women's studies, Allahabad

University in March 2024.

- Participated in a Webinar organized by the Royal Anthropological Institute, G.B. on "Anthropology and Education across Cultures and Countries"
- Organized a panel on Cultural Perspectives on Ageing at the Society for Applied Anthropology Conference held in Santa Fe in March 2024.
- Presented paper at the Anthropology and Education Conference organized by the Royal Anthropological Institute, 25<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> June 2024, University of London, G.B.
- Presented paper at the AAA held in Tampa, Florida in November 2024.

#### **Invited Lectures (Not Conferences)**

- Presented the paper "Cosmology and Religion of the Jads of the Upper Himalayas" at Queen's University in Belfast, U.K.as part of their Spring Research Seminar series on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2000
- ii. Delivered special public lecture at the University of Tennessee in November, 2003 on "Realities of Caste, Gender and Global change in India: A Gendered historical perspective"
- iii. Delivered special public lecture at Auburn University in July 1998 on" Cosmology and Gender in the Garhwal Himalayas" also in December 2003, on "Caste and Gender in contemporary Indian society"
- iv. Delivered the 5<sup>th</sup>**D.N. Majumdar Memorial Lecture** at Lucknow University on the 26<sup>th</sup> of September, 2004

Title of lecture: "Devi or Dasi? The Dynamics of Gender Construction in Indian Society."

v. Delivered the 8<sup>th</sup>**VIDVATVA** series lecture sponsored by the Fulbright Association at Indian Habitat Centre in New Delhi in March 2005.

Title of lecture: "The ideal Indian woman: Social imagination and lived realities"

- vi. Delivered the 2<sup>nd</sup> J.D. Mehra Memorial Lecture on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of February 2017,at the Department of Anthropology, University of Delhi
- vii. Delivered Key Note Address at Salvador, Brazil at the Conference. "What about Women in Anthropology"

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### **BOOKS**

- 1. Channa, S. M. (1985). *Tradition and rationality in economic behaviour: Case study of the Dhobis of Delhi*. New Delhi: Cosmo Publications.
- 2. ----- (1992). (Ed.). Nagaland: A contemporary ethnography. New Delhi: Cosmo Publications.
- 3. -----(1994). *Understanding society, culture and change.* New Delhi: Blaze Publications.
- 4. Channa, S. M., & Bhandari, J. S. (Eds.). (1996). *Tribes and government policies*. New Delhi: Cosmo Publications.

- 5. Channa, S. M., & Mencher, J. P. (Eds.). (2013). *Life as a Dalit: Discrimination in everyday life in India*. New Delhi: Sage Publications.
- 6. Channa, S. M. (2013). *The inner and the outer selves: A study of gender, cosmology and ecology on the Himalayan borders.* New Delhi: Oxford University Press.
- 7. ----- (2013). *Gender in South Asia: Social imagination and constructed realities.* Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- 8. Channa, S. M., & Misra, K. K. (Eds.). (2013). *Gendering material culture*. Jaipur: Rawat Publications.
- 9. Channa, S. M. (2015). *Gender, livelihood and environment*. M. Porter (Ed.). Hyderabad: Orient Blackswan.
- 10. ----- (2017). Anthropological perspectives on Indian tribes: Through a critical and gendered lens. Hyderabad: Orient Blackswan.
- 11. Channa, S. M., & Lobo, L. (Eds.). (2023). *Religious pluralism in India: Ethnographic and philosophic evidences (1886-1936)*. London & New York: Routledge.
- 12. Channa, S. M., & Lobo, L. (Eds.). (2024). *Colonial anthropology: Technologies and discourses of dominance (1886-1936)*. London & New York: Routledge.
- 13. Channa, S. M. (2024). *Dhobis of Delhi: An urban ethnography from the margins* (1974-2023). Oxford: Oxford University Press.

## List of important publications (journal papers and book chapters)

- 1. Channa, S. M. (1991). Caste, jati, and ethnicity: Some reflections based on a case study of the Dhobis. *Indian Anthropologist*, 21(2).
- 2. Channa, S. M. (1992). Naga classical ethnographies. In S. M. Channa (Ed.), *Nagaland: A contemporary ethnography*. New Delhi: Cosmo Publications.
- 3. Channa, S. M., & Bhandari, J. S. (1992). Forests and tribals: A macro-level perspective. *Mainstream, September*.
- 4. Channa, S. M. (1992). Changing gender relations of an urban occupational caste. *Eastern Anthropologist*, *45*, 321–341.
- 5. Channa, S. M. (1993). Value-oriented development: A case study related to the development of indigenous health practices. *Social Action*, *43*.
- 6. Channa, S. M. (1995). The concept of 'mainstream'—Issues and themes. *Mainstream, January*.
- Channa, S. M., & Bhandari, J. S. (1996). International tribal policies. In J. S. Bhandari & S. M. Channa (Eds.), *Tribes and government policies*. New Delhi: Cosmo Publishers.
- 8. Channa, S. M. (1995). Participative development and the notion of gender. In R. S. Mann (Ed.), *Tribes of India*. New Delhi: M. D. Publishers.
- 9. Channa, S. M. (1995). Indian peasantry: Some analytical issues. In V. K. Thakur (Ed.), *Peasants in Indian history*. Ranchi.
- 10. Channa, S. M. (1996). Caste among the Muslim Zardoz of Delhi: A study of occupational culture and sub-group identity. *Man in India*, 76(2).
- 11. Channa, S. M., & Bhandari, J. S. (1996). Introduction: Tribal policy. In S. M. Channa & J. S. Bhandari (Eds.), *Tribal policy*. New Delhi: Cosmo Publications.
- 12. Channa, S. M. (1997). Gender and social space in a Haryana village. *Indian Journal of Gender Studies*, 4(1), 21–34.

- 13. Channa, S. M. (1997). Sex, gender, and ideology: Some reflections in gender consciousness and feminism. *Indian Anthropologist*, 25(2).
- 14. Channa, S. M. (1998). Rethinking the anthropological concept of 'tribe'. *Eastern Anthropologist*, 51(2).
- 15. Channa, S. M. (1998). Violence as practice: The sociology of power relations. In A. Avasthi (Ed.), *Dimensions of violence and terrorism*. Lucknow: Bharat Book Center.
- 16. Channa, S. M. (2000). The emergence of an ethnic identity: The case study of the 'Gorkhali' of Garhwal, Uttar Pradesh. In M. K. Bhasin (Ed.), *Studies on man*. Delhi: Kamla-Raj Enterprises.
- 17. Channa, S. M. (1999). An overview of the anthropological approach on the transcultural nature of cognition. *Indian Anthropologist*, *29*(1), 35–53.
- 18. Channa, S. M. (2001). The right to selfhood: The paradox of being a Dalit woman. *Social Action*, *51*(4), 337–352.
- 19. Channa, S. M. (2001). The Dalit worldview and self-identification. *Eastern Anthropologist*, *58*(3–4), 245–255.
- 20. Channa, S. M. (2002). Cognitive boundaries and political realities: Reflections on Naga ethnicity. *Naga Journal of Indigenous Affairs*, *I*(1), 22–29.
- 21. Channa, S. M. (2002). Changing altitudes, attitudes, and gender relations among the pastoral Bhotiyas of Garhwal Himalayas. *The Journal of the Indian Anthropological Society, 37*(1).
- 22. Channa, S. M. (2002). The food quest of pastoral people in India. *Bulletin of the Department of Anthropology, Calcutta University*.
- 23. Channa, S. M. (2002). The life history of a Jad woman of the Garhwal Himalayas. *European Bulletin of Himalayan Research*, *22*, 61–81.
- 24. Channa, S. M. (2003). Gender, feminism, and Margaret Mead: Her study, *Sex and temperament in three primitive societies*. *Eastern Anthropologist*, *56*(1), 11–29.
- 25. Channa, S. M. (2005). Metaphors of race and caste-based discriminations against Dalits and Dalit women in India. In F. Harrison (Ed.), *Resisting racism and xenophobia: Global perspectives on race, gender, and human rights* (pp. 49–66). Alta Mira Press.
- 26. Channa, S. M. (2003). Colonialism, caste, and the myth of race: A historical perspective on the interaction of Indian beliefs and Western science. In A. K. Kalla & D. K. Bhattacharaya (Eds.), *Understanding people of India: Anthropological insights* (pp. 535–553). Department of Anthropology, University of Delhi.
- 27. Channa, S. M. (2003). The crafting of human bodies and the racialization of caste in India. *Ambedkar Journal of Social Development and Justice*, 11, 35–49.
- 28. Channa, S. M. (2004). Globalization and modernity in India: A gendered critique. *Urban Anthropology*, *33*(1), 37–71.
- 29. Channa, S. M. (2004). The Pandava folklore in the Himalayas. In P. Chenna Reddy & M. S. Babu (Eds.), *Folklore in the new millennium* (pp. 76–82). Research India Press.
- Channa, S. M. (2004). The re-emergence of traditional medicine and health care in post-colonial India and national identity. In P. Sillitoe, A. Bicker, & J. Pottier (Eds.), *Investigating local knowledge: New directions, new approaches* (pp. 189–207). Routledge, Ashgate.
- 31. Channa, S. M. (2004). Realities of caste, gender, and global change in India: A gendered historical perspective. In V. K. Srivastava & M. K. Singh (Eds.), *Issues and themes in anthropology* (pp. 675–686). Palaka Prakashan.
- 32. Channa, S. M. (2005). The descent of the Pandavas: Ritual and cosmology of the Jads

- of Garhwal. European Bulletin of Himalayan Research, 28, 67–97.
- 33. Channa, S. M. (2005). Colonialism, caste, and the myth of race. In Y. Takezawa (Ed.), *Is race a universal idea?* (Published in Japanese).
- 34. Channa, S. M. (2005). Women, AIDS, and human rights: An introduction. *Indian Anthropologist*, *35*(1–2), 9–14.
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