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Educational Qualifications:

Exam	Year	Board/University
SSC	2005	Maharashtra State Board of Secondary and Higher Secondary Education, Pune
HSC	2007	Maharashtra State Board of Secondary and Higher Secondary Education, Pune
B.A (History)	2010	University of Mumbai
M.A(AIHC & Archaeology)	2012	Deccan College PGRI, Pune
P.G Diploma (Museology and Conservation)	2013	Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalaya (affiliated to the University of Mumbai)
Ph.D	2020	Deccan College PGRI, Pune
Post-Doctoral Fellow	2022	Indian Institute of Technology Gandhinagar

Phd Topic –

“Investigations into the Śarvva Type of Silver Coins from the Saurashtra Region, Gujarat”

Other Academic Qualifications:

Qualified **NET in Archaeology** of the UGC for lecturer ship.

UGC Reference no - 25524/(NET-JUNE 2013)

Fellowship –

Awarded Junior Research Fellowship from **Indian Council of Historical Research (ICHR)** for Phd in the year 2014.

Awarded **Infosys Fellow** from **The Bhandarkar Oriental Research Institute**, Pune from March 2021 to June 2021.

Paper Presentations

International -

- Presented a research paper with Dr Abhijit Dandekar and Dr Pankaj Goyal entitled “**Polity and Economy: A Study of the Coinage of the Western Kshatrapas**” in International Seminar on Archaeology and Language and The Joint Annual Conference of Indian Archaeological Society (IAS-48th), Indian Society for Prehistoric and Quaternary Studies (ISPQS-42nd), Indian History And Culture Society (ICHS-38th) held at Deccan College PGRI, Pune-6 on 6-9 October, 2014.
- Presented a research paper titled “**Imitation and Discontinuity: A Study of symbols of the Kṣaharāta coins**” in Joint Annual Conference of Indian Archaeological Society, Indian Society for Prehistoric and Quaternary Studies, Indian History and Culture Society & International Seminar on Culture and Cognition in Reconstructing the Past held at University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad on 17-20 December, 2015.
- Presented a research paper titled “**Rationalizing the Mystery of the ‘Gaja-Simha Dhvaja’ symbol found on the coins and seals of the Vrishni Gana**” in International Seminar on ‘**Symbolism in Indian Art, Archaeology and Literature**’ organised by Deccan College PGRI, Pune from 1-3 December 2016.
- Presented a research paper titled “**Nagardhan Excavations: Numismatics and Sigillographic Data from the 1st Season (2015-2016)**” with Dr Abhijit Dandekar in Joint Annual Conference of Indian Archaeological Society, Indian Society for Prehistoric and Quaternary Studies, History and Culture Society and International Seminar on Recent Field Researches and Scientific Studies in Indian Archaeology from 4th to 6th November 2017 at Centre of Advanced Study, Department of AIHC and Archaeology, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi.

National

- Presented a research paper titled “**Garuda becomes Trident – An Intriguing Coin of Kumaragupta I**” in the research students seminar organised by Department of Sanskrit and Lexicography, Deccan College PGRI, Pune-6 on 8th, 9th and 10th May, 2014.
- Presented a research paper titled “**A Syncretistic symbol on trident type coin of Kumārgupta I**” in 1st National Numismatic Conference held at Sathaye College, Mumbai on 24th and 25th of December 2016 organised by Centre for History, Archaeology, Epigraphy & Numismatics (CHAEN) & Parle Tilak Vidyalaya Association’s Sathaye College.

Publications –

- Published an article titled, “**Symbol of Syncretism: A Unique Trident type coin of Kumāragupta I**” in Numismatic Digest, vol 40 in the year 2016.

- Published an article titled, “**Polity and Economy: A Study of the Coinage of the Western Kshatrapas**” in Heritage: Journal of Multidisciplinary Studies in Archaeology, vol 5 with Dr. Abhijit Dandekar, Prof. P. P. Joglekar and Dr Pankaj Goyal in the year 2017.
- Published an article titled, “**A Sealing of the Vakataka Queen Prabhavatigupta from Nagardhan Excavations (2015-2016)**” in Numismatic Digest, vol 42 in the year 2018 with Drs. Abhijit Dandekar, Virag Sontakke, Shantanu Vaidya and Shrikant Ganvir.
- Published an article titled, “**Further Observations at the Early Brahmanical Caves at Katalgaon-Javade, District Ratnagiri, Maharashtra**” in Bulletin of the Deccan College Post-Graduate and Research Institute, vol 78 in the year 2018 with Mr. Gopal Joge, Dr. Abhijit Dandekar, Mr Anjay Dhanawade, Dr Shrikant Ganvir and Mr. Hemant Dalavi.
- Published chapter titled, “**Coins**” with Dr Abhijit Dandekar in “Preliminary Report of the Excavations at Nagardhan (2015-1016)” edited by Virag Sontakke, Shrikant Ganvir and Shantanu Vaidya in the year 2020. (ISBN- 978-81-988330-8-0)
- Published chapter titled, “**Sealings**” with Dr Abhijit Dandekar in “Preliminary Report of the Excavations at Nagardhan (2015-1016)” edited by Virag Sontakke, Shrikant Ganvir and Shantanu Vaidya in the year 2020. (ISBN- 978-81-988330-8-0)
- Published an article titled, “**Second Sealing of the Vakataka Queen Prabhavatigupta from Nagardhan Excavation**” in Bulletin of the Deccan College Post-Graduate and Research Institute, vol 80 in the year 2020 with Drs. Abhijit Dandekar, Shrikant Ganvir, Virag Sontakke and Shantanu Vaidya.
- Published an article titled, “**Decoding Religious Milieu of Ancient Gujarat Through Coins (1st to 5th Century CE)**” in Annals of the Bhandarkar Oriental Research Institute, vol XCIX in the year 2022.