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Present positions :

- i) Professor of Modern History (Open Selection 1997 till date) Department of History, Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra
- ii) Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, Kurukshetra University (w.e.f. June 2008 till date).
- iii) Registrar, Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra (w.e.f. 1st December, 2008).

Administrative Positions/Experience Contribution to University Corporate Life:

A) Total University Teaching Experience: 31 Years

B) Additional Experience:

- i) Chairman Department of History (three years)
- ii) Convener/Head Dharohar Haryana Museum Kurukshetra University (April 2006 to date) (As head of the Dharohar team – created the Museum from inception-concept; execution etc.)
- iii) University Coordinator, University Grants Commission.
- iv) Dean Students Welfare (24 July 2005 to 30th November, 2008).

- iv-a) Vice Chairman, Kurukshetra University Cultural Council 24 July 2005 to 30 November 2008.
- iv-b) Convener (President), Kurukshetra University Adhoc Sports Board (2006-2008)
- v) Director Mahatma Gandhi All India Services Coaching Institute, Kurukshetra University (about three years).
- vi) Public Relations Officer, Kurukshetra University (1982, about five years)
- vii) Organized as head, several Conferences/ Seminars/ Exhibitions and other University functions over the years.
- viii) Edited/Contributed several important University documents (Annual Reports etc.)

Academic Distinctions:

- i) First-Class-First (Gold Medal) M.A. History, (1977)
- ii) Gold Medal for securing the highest percentage of marks in the Social Science Faculty, Kurukshetra University (1977)

Other Academic Positions/Distinctions:

- i) President, Indian History Congress (Contemporary) 2008 (The IHC is India's premier body of historians. The contemporary section was introduced from 2008. A special honour in having been made its first President).
- ii) President, Punjab History Congress Modern, 2000 (an important annual conference of Historians on regional history in India)
- iii) University Grants Commission of India Research Awardee (National Fellow) 2002-2005 (this is the most prestigious UGC Fellowship)

- iv) Indian Council of Historical Research New Delhi, foreign source consultation Fellowship (worked at centres of research in the U.K. 2004)
- v) Delivered Plenary Lecture at important International Conference on Partition of India. Organized by the University of Southampton, U.K. (July 2007) Attended by leading historians from across the world.
- vi) Editor, *Journal of Haryana Studies* Kurukshetra University (March 2007 till date).
- vii) Presented papers/Presided at several other International and National Conferences/Seminars.
- viii) Member Indian Historical Records Commission.
- ix) Member of Board of Studies/Peer Review Committees of several Universities/Institutions/Research Centres.

Research Guidance :

- i) Seven Ph. D's Awarded, 4 in line.
- ii) Over 30 M.Phil. Dissertations Awarded.

Select Books/International Publications:

- a) *Reporting the Partition of Punjab: Press Public & other Opinions* 1947 (622 pages, Manohar New Delhi and Vanguard Lahore 2006). Widely acclaimed and reviewed by scholars in India, the U.K. and Pakistan.
- a-i) Prof. Ian Talbot, Director Centre for South Asian Studies, Coventry University U.K. in his review published in the *Book Review* – Volume XXX Number 10 Oct. 2006 noted :

".... given level of historical judgement and maturity... In sum this is a meticulously researched work. It brings much new material to the subject..."

- a-ii) A.G. Noorani noted in the *Frontline* (30 June 2006)

"Raghuvendra Tanwar's collection of press reports and public statements is an invaluable record of the massacres in Punjab."

- a-iii) Prof. P. L. Mehra (senior historian) in his review noted in *The Tribune* (14 May 2006).

"bids fair to be a definitive study of the genre .. a work of which the author may be legitimately proud..."

- a-iv) *The Tribune* (12 Feb. 2006) carried a full page extract from the book.

- b) *Politics of Sharing Power: The Unionist Party in Punjab (Manohar New Delhi 1999)* The book is on the essential readings list on the Punjab in several Universities and is considered as the first authoritative study of the Unionist Party.

- c) International Journals :

"Tradition Versus Modernity: A Study of The Failure of Muslim Peasant Leadership in Punjab." *Journal of The Pakistan Historical Society* Vol.XL July 1992 Pt III Karachi.

"Origin of The Punjab National Unionist Party: Feudal Elite & Legislative Politics" *Journal of The Pakistan Historical Society*. Vol.XLIV April 1996, Pt.II Karachi.

- d) Published extensively in several other Journals.

Extra Curricular Interests/Achievements:

- i) Captained the Kurukshetra University Tennis Team and the Haryana State Tennis team 1975-76.
- ii) President, Kurukshetra University Students Association 1976-77. The Association comprised of the first position holders in the University Teaching Departments and Inter University Sports Position Winners.
- iii) Writing for national dailies on issues of national/international concern; education; society; economy; history.
- iv) Associated with organizations involved with spread/development of education/ other social concerns.