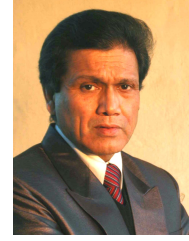


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AREAS OF INTEREST

- Vedanta, Samkhya, Yoga, Kashmir Shaivism, Tantra, Philosophy of language, Evolutionary theory, Evolutionary psychology, Western philosophy, Philosophy of science, Reincarnation and paranormal activity.
- Five of my books have been published, three in English and two in Hindi. They are:
- Emotion: The Essence of Life: A philosophical Exploration based on Evolutionary Psychology
- The Ultimate Iconoclast: Understanding Rajneesh Osho's Revolutionary and Dangerous Ideas.
- The Yogavāsīṣṭha of Vālmiki: The Mind and its Creation
- (This book is an exposition of the very important but less known text on Advaita Vedanta.)
- Prmam Vidrohi: Rajneesh Osho ke Krantikari aur Khatarnak Vicharon ka Vishleshan. (Hindi)
- Yogavāsīṣṭha Mahārāmāyanam (Hindi)

Current work:

Working on Trika Shaivism, a project awarded by Indian Council of Philosophical Research, Delhi. It is a research-based work on the original texts of Kashmir Tantra.

Translations:

- Translated Patanjali's Yogasutram with Vyasa bhashya into English (not yet published).
- Translated three chapters of Rudrayamala Uttara Tantra from Sanskrit to English. (A text of Trika Shaivism, Kashmir Shaivism)

Paranormal research:

I have done considerable work in paranormal psychology, and have investigated cases of reincarnation. A paper about post-death bodily possession which was co-authored with Prof Antonia Mills of University of North British Columbia, Canada was published in the Proceedings of the Society for Psychical Research, London in October 2011.

Two cases of reincarnation independently investigated by me were published in Paranormal Review: Param Returns as Shivani; and This Girl says She was a Soldier.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Born: 15 May, 1958, New Delhi.

Languages known: Hindi, English, Sanskrit, Punjabi, Kannada, Himachali, French (elementary), German (elementary).

EDUCATION

MA Sanskrit, Panjab University, Chandigarh, India.

MA Philosophy, Panjab University, Chandigarh, India

MA English Literature, Panjab University, Chandigarh, India

Ph D, Philosophy, Panjab University, Chandigarh, India. My thesis was titled 'Emotion and the Self'. It was argued from an Evolutionary Perspective.

Degree in Graphic Design, Government College of Art, Panjab University, Chandigarh, India

Creative Writing Course, Writers Bureau, UK

WORK EXPERIENCE

February 2019 onwards: ICPR Fellow at Centre for Swami Vivekananda Studies, Panjab University, Chandigarh.

2000 -2018: Deputy Art Editor, The Tribune, Chandigarh.

1990-1997: Senior Industrial photographer, videographer, and scriptwriter, Fotomagic LLC, Muscat, Sultanate of Oman.

1985-1990: Worked for Deccan Herald, Bangalore, later freelanced for them. Worked for Regional Institute of English for a year.

BOOKS PUBLISHED, TRANSLATED AND EDITED

Emotion: The Essence of Life, published by Unistar Books, India.

The Ultimate Iconoclast: Rajneesh Osho's Revolutionary Ideas, published by Ukay Publishing Company, India.

Param Vidrohi (Hindi translation of The Ultimate Iconoclast), published by Ukay Publishing Company, India.

Edited 'The Science of Mental Healing', a book on psychology by Dr N L Dosajh.

Edited: Science and Spirituality, for Centre for Vivekananda Studies, Panjab University (in press).

The Yogavāsiṣṭha of Vālmiki: The Mind and its Creation, published by Ukay Publishing Company, India.

Hindi translation of the English **The Yogavāsiṣṭha of Vālmiki**, published by Ukay Publishing Company, India.

PAPERS AND ARTICLES

- Over three hundred articles, interviews and book reviews in The Tribune and other national papers.
- Six short stories published in various publications
- 'Vivekananda's Political Idiom' in the book The Philosophy of Vivekananda, Dr Rekha Jhanji Ed., Arya Books, India.
- 'Emergence of Values', to be published by Department of Philosophy, Panjab University by the end of November 2007
- Rajneesh's Analysis of Science and Spirituality, in Science and Spirituality (in press). This paper was presented in the National Seminar on 'Science and Spirituality', organized by the Centre for Vivekananda Studies, Panjab University in 2008.
- Wrote a popular series for The Tribune titled 'Great Minds' which covered 100 outstanding Indians of the 20th century.
- Interviewed personalities such as B V Karanth, Helen Veret, picture editor of LIFE magazine, Amarjit Chandan, poet, M.K. Raina, Swami Dayananda Saraswati etc.
- Reviewed books: The Grand Design by Stephen Hawking and Leonard Malodinov, Artha- Meaning by Jonardon Ganeri, Philosophy of Symmetry by Sundar Sarukkai, Indian Philosophy and Philosophy of Science by Sundar Sarukkai, Vedanta and its Philosophical Development by Ramamurty, The Trouble with Physics by Lee Smolin, Ramayana by Veerappa Moily, The God Delusion by Richard Dawkins, Consciousness Beyond Life by Pim van Lommel, God is not Dead by Amit Goswami, The Edge of Reason by Anil Ananthaswamy, Dalai Lama: Man, Monk, Mystic by Mayank Chhaya, The Stuff of Thought by Steven Pinker, Science and the Near Death Experience: How consciousness survives death by Chris Carter, and many more.
- Cases of bodily possession and reincarnation co-authored with Prof Antonia Mills, University of North British Columbia. Research was funded by Society for Psychical Research, London. The case was presented in London in May 2011, and it was published in the Proceedings of the Society of Psychical Research in October 2011.
- Two cases published in Paranormal Review: Param Returns as Shivani; This Girl says She was a Soldier.
- A Chapter co-authored with Dr James Matlock for the book 'I Saw a Light and Came Here: Children's Experiences of Reincarnation' by Erlendur Haraldsson PhD and James Matlock

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Translated into Hindi, **Swami Bhoomananda Tirtha's The Vedantic Way of Life.**

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MEMBERSHIP

Member of Society for Psychical Research, London

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Some of my published work can be seen at: <http://kuldipdhiman.blogspot.com/>

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