

Dr. Saumya Varghese is an Assistant Professor in the Department of History at Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi. She has a doctoral degree in History and M.Phil from Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi. She has published on the Indian Ocean world, Trade and trends of Urbanization in the 16th and 17th century, Identity formation of the Thomas Christians of Kerala, State formations on Goa, Konkan and Malabar in the 16th and 17th century.

Her areas of interest include early colonialism of the Portuguese, trade, urbanization and business histories, St. Thomas Christians of Malabar, history of Kerala etc.

Dr. Saumya Varghese has taught History of Modern China, Japan and Korea; History of the Contemporary World 1945-1990; History of India 1200-1500; History of India 1200-1700; History of India 750-1200 A.D; History of USSR; Art and Architecture; Understanding Heritage; Indian History and Culture; History of Early Modern Europe; Issues in World History; Environmental History of India and History of Contemporary India.

She has previously worked as an Assistant Professor at Zakir Husain P.G Eve. College, University of Delhi.

Qualifications:

- Ph.D. from Center For Historical Studies/School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University.
- M.Phil. from The Centre for Historical Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University.
- Master of Arts in History from Delhi University (2002-2004).
- Bachelor of Arts with Honours in History from St. Stephens College, Delhi University.

International Experience:

Delivered a series of lectures at **York College, City University of New York (CUNY)** between January – April 2008 on **themes** such as Early Colonialism in India; and, Caste and Gender Issues in India.

Academic Supervision:

- Have been an external examiner for a number of M.Phil and Ph.D. theses.
- Have supervised students in projects on Oral History for the year 2017-18 and 2018-19 as well as on Environment, Heritage and History.
- Have been member and convener of many University boards between 2015-2019.
- Have been member of the course revision committee CBCS 2019 syllabus for the paper History of India 1200-1500.

Administrative Responsibilities / Co-Curricular Activities:

- Teacher in Charge of Department of History, Jesus and Mary College 2018-19 and 2019-20.
- Coordinator, UGC funded Coaching Classes for Entry into Services for SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer) and Minority Students. Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi, 2015-2016 and 2016-17.
- Member, Governing Body, JMC, 2016-2017; 2017-18.
- Teacher co-coordinator PTSA committee, Jesus and Mary College 2017-18, 2018-19.
- Staff Association Secretary, Jesus and Mary College, 2015-2016 and 2016-17.
- Member B.A. Programme Committee, JMC, 2016-17, 2017-18.
- Co-convener of *Dastaan: The Art and Architecture Society* of Jesus and Mary College, 2013-2014.
- Teacher Mentor AICUF (All India Catholic University Federation) in Jesus and Mary College, 2013-2015.
- Teacher Mentor of History Society Jesus and Mary College, 2013-2015.
- Undertook student counseling/mentoring, heritage walks, educational tours, organizing seminars and workshops for students in both Jesus and Mary College and Zakir Husain P.G Eve. College, University of Delhi.
- Active member of St. Michaels's, Manhattan, New York's Pilgrim Resource Center and Community Outreach Programs (2007 and 2008).

List of Publications (Peer Reviewed/Refereed Journals):

1. Urbanization in the Port City of *Velha* Goa 1510-1540 A.D. IRISH, Telicherry, ISSN: 0973-3353 Vol 6, Nos 1 & 2, 2011.
2. The *Nazrani* Jati and Malabar by the 16th century: Dichotomy of *Matam* and *Margam*. Advances in Arts & Ideas ISSN: 0973-2373, Vol 7, Nos 1 & 2, 2011.
3. Book Review - *Visualizing Space in Banaras: Images, Maps and the Practice of Representation* by Martin Gaenzsle and Jörg Gengnagel (eds.). Studies in History, JNU, 2011.

4. Negotiating Identities: Reinterpreting *Lusitanization* and Community Consciousness of the Thomas Christians. Eastern Journal of Dialogue and Culture, Vol 8/2 (2015). ISSN 0974-7567.
5. Mercantilism and Counter-Reformation: A Case Study of the Early Colonial Cultural Encounter between the *Estado da India* and *Nazrani* Christians of Malabar in the 16th Century. *South Asian History Conference (3rd Session) 16-18 October 2015, Proceedings*. Patiala, Punjabi University.
6. Empowering Women Through Education: A Historical Study of the Educational Mission of the Religious of Jesus and Mary (RJM). **Coauthored** with Dr. Sr. Molly Abraham. *Catholic Contribution to the Indian History, Society and Culture 19th and 20th Centuries* by Francis Thonippara CMI and Sunny Maniakkunnel OCD (eds.), Dharmaram Vidya Kshetram, Bangalore, 2018.
7. Changing Imageries of Velha Goa from Queen of the Orinetal Marts to Rome of the East 1610-1690. in Pius Malekandathil, Lotika Varadharajan and Amar Farooqui (eds.) *India, The Portuguese and Maritime Interactions*. Vol 1. Delhi: Primus Publications, 2019, ISBN: 9789352906604.

Papers Presented

1. Changing Imageries of *Velha* Goa: From Queen of the Oriental Marts to Rome of the East. Presented at XIV International Seminar on Indo-Portuguese History, Delhi, 11-13 Feb 2013.
2. Empowering Women Through Education: A Historical Study of the Educational Mission of the Religious of Jesus and Mary (RJM). International Workshop on the Catholic Contribution to the Indian History, Society and Culture, Dharmaram Vidya Kshetram, Bangalore, 24-25 July, 2015.
3. Mercantilism and Counter-Reformation: A Case Study of the Early Colonial Cultural Encounter between the *Estado da India* and *Nazrani* Christians of Malabar in the 16th Century. IIIrd International Conference on Religion, State and Society in South Asia: A Historical Perspective. Punjabi University, Patiala, 16-18 October 2015.
4. The Making of an Early Modern City: Urbanism in *Velha* Goa. International Conference on Configuring Early Modern South Asia. SPECTRESS, Trinity College, Dublin & Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi, 12-13 November 2015.
5. Religion, Culture and Early Colonialism of the Portuguese in Malabar. Seminar at the 4th Three Week Special Winter School, Jamia Millia Islamia, Delhi, December 2015.

6. Eastern Christianity and the Portuguese: A Study of the Synod of Diamper. Seminar paper presented at the 115 Orientation Programme, Jamia, Milia Islamia, May, 2016.