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AFFILIATIONS

- Volunteer at People's **Archive of Rural India (PARI)**, 2026–Present (Focus & Factoids, Library Section)
- Reviewer at **Jadavpur Journal of International Relations** (Sage Publication)
- Worked as an Intern at the **National Human Rights Commission,** India (June 2026)

CORE SKILLS

- Conceptual and theoretical ideation
- Interdisciplinary analysis
- Project design and preparation
- Field interviews and qualitaitve surveys
- Team coordination and presentation
- Critical analysis of political texts and policies

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

Aspiring researcher seeking opportunities in political theory projects, preferably focusing on feminism, bio-politics, care ethics and state power. Strong foundation in conceptual analysis, qualitative research, field-based studies, team leadership, and academic writing. Committed to interrogating power structures, gender hierarchies, and exclusionary frameworks in contemporary politics.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Feminist political theory and care ethics
- Bio-politics and state surveillance
- Hidden mechanisms of power invading social spaces
- Informal institutions, NGOs, and the retreat of public responsibility

Education

- **MA in Political Science (2026) from Jawaharlal Nehru University**. CGPA 7.25
- **UGC - NET December 2025 Qualified for ASSISTANT PROFESSOR position & ADMISSION TO Ph.D.**
- **B.A. (Hons.) in Political Science (2024) from Maulana Azad College, University of Calcutta.** Overall Grade: A+, CGPA: 8.139
  Received "Best Student" award for securing the highest marks from the college.
- 10+2 standard (2021) from West Bengal Council of Higer Secondary Education with overall grade: O [90-100: O (Outstanding)]
  Received "Best Student" medal from the school.
- 10th Standard (2019) from West Bengal board of Secondary Education, Overall Grade: AA (Grade Scale: 90-100: Grade: AA, Performance Indicator: Outstanding).

Additional Courses and Certifications

- IELTS **Band Score : 8**
- Conflict Management (Ongoing) — University of California,
- Irvine (Online) Political Psychology (Completed) — Udemy

Publications

Forthcoming / Accepted

- **"The Right To An Unhappy Ending: Defending Unresolved Narratives In Feminist Literature" This essay is already published in FII (Feminism in India), the most renowned feminist online magazine.**
  Dalit women's writing in India has consistently denied the soothing closure demanded of narrative.
  https://feminisminindia.com/2026/02/10/the-right-to-an-unhappy-ending-defending-unresolved-narratives-in-feminist-literature/

- **"From Grozny to Damascus: Civilizational Syntax of Russian Counterinsurgency." Jadavpur Journal of International Relations (Sage Publication). ~6,000 words.**
  Agreement signed; forthcoming. (provides a valuable normative insight supported by empirical evidences into the strategies Russia has applied both within and outside its borders and frame it within the broader hegemony of violence inherent in gendered statecraft.)

- **"Love as Subversion: Intimate Relations in Times of Political Surveillance in Transitional Democracies – The Case of Turkey."**
Abstract accepted for presentation/publication at GPSA (Georgian Political Science Association). (Using Turkey under Recep Tayyip Erdoğan as a vantage point, this paper reads love as a subversive modality which basically says - we love in the ways states can't recognize — and therefore cannot fully control.)

- **Pathologising Gendered Distress in Development: Anxiety, Overreaction and Developmental Common Sense.**
Published in Lifeworld Sociology E-Magazine, Department of Sociology, Jadavpur University. (2026)"
https://jadavpuruniversity.in/storage/2026/07/LIFEWORLD.pdf

- **Are You Human? CAPTCHA and the Micro-Politics of the Click".**
Published at Siyasat, Dept of Political Science, Hindu College, University of Delhi (2026). https://heyzine.com/flip-book/d6fbb26292.html
- **Performing Proximity: Populism Promises and The Fabrication of Political Intimacy in West Bengal General Elections**
Abstract accepted for The 2026 IPSA Regional Conference in Wroclaw, Poland
- **The Trace She Must Erase: Fallen Hair and The Violence of Domestic Cleanliness**
Accepted for publication in Hindu College Gazette

Conference Presentation

- **"Spices and Supermarkets: Indian Grocery Stores and the Everyday Economy of Diaspora Identity in Canada"**
Presented at conference organized by the Department of International Relations, Jadavpur University, in collaboration with Rising Asia and funded by ICSSR-ERC, 2026

- **Pathologising Gendered Distress in Development: Anxiety, Overreaction and Developmental Common Sense.**
Presented at Lifeworld Sociology Consortium, Department of Sociology, Jadavpur University. (2026)"

Book Reviews

- **The Burden of Democracy by Pratap Bhanu Mehta(2933 words)** Academic critique of democratic normativity, political practice, and moral agency in postcolonial India.

- **A Cartography of Her Own: Mapping Space, Self, and Story in Woolf's Feminist Manifesto — Review of A Room of One's Own by Virginia Woolf (3043 words)** Highlights enduring relevance for Gen Z while critiquing class exclusivity in feminist outlook.

- **Lines on the Map, Lives in the Margin: Paquette on Federalism and Cultural Policy — Review of Cultural Policy and Federalism by Jonathan Paquette (3062 words)** examines its uniqueness in its refusal to treat culture as decorative to politics and the distribution of cultural authority in federations impacting recognition, autonomy, and belonging.

Article Reviews / Comparative Analyses

- **"Doing Justice to Care: Exclusion, Exploitation and Possibilities" (3033 words)**— Comparative review of:
  1. Carol Gilligan, "In a Different Voice" (1982)
  2. Bill Puka, "The Liberation of Caring" (1989)
  3. Diemut Grace Bubeck, "Justice and Labour of Care." Challenges sexist care/justice dichotomy and scrutinizes exploitation within care under social justice lens.

- **"Equality of Outcome Reconsidered(3626 words)**
A Theoretical Review and Extension of Anne Phillips' Perspective." Extends substantive equality to prevent reproduction of hierarchies in emerging social/technological structures.

- **"Crisis Plans vs State Grip: A Critique of Hayek's Stand on Health Mandates." (2896 words)**
Speculative Hayekian analysis of state roles in health crises (comparing COVID policies in Mexico and New Zealand).

Research Papers and Projects

- **"Liberation with a Hemline: Comfort, Clothing and Gendered Politics of Wardrobe." (3992 words)** Examines wardrobes as contested sites of power, minimalism vs. ornamentality, and bodily disruption.

- **"NGO as a Shadow State: Informal Schooling and the Retreat of Public Responsibility in Delhi."**
Led group project (10 members; 30,000 words) with field surveys across NGOs. Analyzes shift from education as right to charity/welfare, fragmentation of public space, and state rollback from constitutional obligations.